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Baby Promise Program
2025 Rulemaking Advisory Committee

March 18, 2025, 4:00 – 5:00 PM

March 12, 2025

Dear Baby Promise Rulemaking Advisory Committee Participants:

In this communication, and attached to this email you will find:

- ✓ The Zoom link and dial in information for the RAC meeting.
- ✓ An agenda for the meeting
- ✓ A list of the RAC members.
- ✓ Contact information for DELC staff members.
- ✓ A PDF of the 2024 "Program Operations Manual for CCRR Entities" and the Baby Promise Program Guidebook for Providers" in English and Spanish.

During the RAC meeting, participants should prepare to reference both documents using the PDF copy – if it is easier feel free to print out a copy for your reference.

A calendar invitation will be sent to you in a separate email, that also includes this information. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to a DELC staff member. If you cannot participate in this RAC, please let us know so we can fill your spot.

The meeting will be held virtually using the Zoom platform. Please let us know if technology is a barrier to your participation. Please look for a calendar invitation soon.

Please also know that we will be providing \$50 per meeting in compensation for the valuable input you're providing.

We will send out more information on compensation at the conclusion of the meetings. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance, and we look forward to working with you!

Preparing for RAC meeting on March 18, 2025

The purpose of the RAC meeting is to review the updates to the two guiding documents for the Baby Promise Program and gather input and insight from RAC members regarding changes to the documents.

The ruleset listed below adopted in 2024, allowed for the adoption of the two documents (Guidebook and Manual) to guide implementation of the Baby Promise program.

The ruleset proposed for 2025 will change the effective dates listed to 2025. See the highlighted areas below.

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Baby Promise Program Ruleset 2024

414-480-0000 Purpose

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Statutory/Other Authority: 417.784

414-480-0010 Child and Family Eligibility Criteria

Child and family eligibility criteria is outlined in the Baby Promise Program Operations Manual for CCR&R Entities distributed to Child Care Resource & Referral entities.

Statutory/Other Authority: 417.784

414-480-0015 Baby Promise Program Provider Eligibility and Program Requirements

Effective on April 1, 2024, the Department designates the Baby Promise Program Guidebook for Providers revised 03/2024 to be used for compliance with the Baby Promise Program provider requirements and standards.

Statutory/Other Authority: 417.784

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Baby Promise Program Proposed Ruleset for 2025

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The changes made to the guiding documents will be reviewed and input given during the RAC using the following guiding prompts:

- ✓ Which benefit recipients (state benefits for children, families, and providers) are likely to be economically affected, positively or negatively, by Baby Promise requirements and operations?
- ✓ Are there other members of the public likely to be economically affected by Baby Promise requirements and operations?
- ✓ From a racial equity perspective, which populations may be affected or most harmed?
- ✓ How or in what specific ways are ethnically specific communities affected by Baby Promise requirements and operations?

We want committee participants to feel successful and supported through this process. To best prepare for the RAC meeting we advise you to carefully read the "Baby Promise Program Operations Manual for CCR&R Entities" and the "Baby Promise Program Guidebook for Providers" using the prompts listed above. You may wish to make some notes for these prompts and consider them from the perspective of those you represent. This will facilitate participation and assist in thoughtful engagement in the time allotted.

Agenda

Topic	Time Estimate
1. Welcome/Icebreaker and Attendance	5 minutes
2. Review Group Norms	3 minutes
3. Review of RAC Purpose and Scope	3 minutes
4. Review Rule Language:	3 minutes

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective Dates (414-175-0070) 	DEL.C.Info@delc.oregon.gov
5. Review changes to documentation	40 minutes
6. Wrap up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reimbursement Reminder Public Comment and Hearing Reminder Optional Feedback/Listening Session information 	3 Minutes

2025 Baby Promise Program - Rulemaking Advisory Committee Roster

Name	Affiliation	Region
Karina Berumen	Early Learning and Care Programs and providers with contracted Baby Promise slots	Keizer
Vanessa Broadley	Early Learning Hub representatives	Coos Bay
ThuHang Dang	Early Learning and Care Programs and providers with contracted Baby Promise slots	Bend
Maryam Darabi	Early Learning and Care Programs and providers with contracted Baby Promise slots	Lake Oswego
Sima Ghandi	Early Learning and Care Programs and providers with contracted Baby Promise slots	Beaverton
Savannah Graf	Families	Portland
Iney Gomez	Representatives from programs who provide care for young children	Portland
Mandy Johnson	Union Representatives	Pleasant Hill
Nicole Kay	Representatives from programs who provide care for young children	Portland
Claudia Lipez	Representatives from programs who provide care for young children	Aloha
Sonya Noil	Representatives from programs who provide care for young children	Portland

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Shawn Reynolds	Representatives from programs who provide care for young children	Portland
Anneliese Sheahan	Union Representatives	Gladstone
Rayanna Van Dine	Child Care Resource & Referral representatives	La Grande

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