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## **Educational Forums planned throughout Oregon to discuss changes for home and community-based services and supports**

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Beginning Monday and ending October 1, the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) are hosting educational forums throughout the state. Next week, forums will take place in Bend, Keizer and Hillsboro. Providers and consumers are invited to discuss upcoming changes to federal and state requirements impacting those receiving services in their home and in community-based settings. These changes will ensure more rights as well as an increased ability for people receiving services to be part of their local community.

**Who:** Family members and people receiving supports in an in-home or community based setting. Providers for Aging and People with Disabilities (APD), Office of Developmental Disability Services (ODDS) and Addictions and Mental Health (AMH) services are also invited. Advocates and community partners are also encouraged to attend.

**What:** There will be a presentation followed by a group discussion. Agency staff will be available to answer questions and offer guidance for upcoming regulatory changes and surveys.

<u>City</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>Location</u>
Bend	8/31/2015	Central Oregon Community College
Keizer	9/2/2015	Keizer City Hall
Hillsboro	9/3/2015	Hillsboro Public Library
Pendleton	9/10/2015	Vert Club House
Ontario	9/14/2015	Four Rivers Cultural Center
Medford	9/22/2015	Smullin Health & Education Center
South Coast Coos	9/23/2015	Confederate Tribe Community Center
Eugene	9/28/2015	Lane County Community College
Astoria	9/30/2015	Judge Guy Boyington Building
Portland	10/1/2015	Ambridge Event Center

For information about upcoming Educational Forums:

<http://www.oregon.gov/dhs/seniors-disabilities/HCBS/Pages/Index.aspx>

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