

News Release

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DHS, OSU, PSU to share research on long-term care facility trends in Oregon

Media Advisory

What: Researchers from Oregon State University (OSU) and Portland State University (PSU) will present key findings of studies on trends in Oregon's long-term care settings on Dec. 17 in Salem.

Oregon Department of Human Services Aging and People with Disabilities program (APD) has commissioned these studies for each of the past four years. The research summarizes topics such as residents' needs, rates and fees, facility policies, and staffing.

The quality and availability of long-term care options in Oregon is closely monitored by APD. The program licenses adult foster homes, assisted living, residential care and nursing facilities, including those designated for memory care. Demand for long-term care will continue to rise as the percentage of Oregon's population that is 65 and older is expected to increase, according to the *Oregon Office of Economic Analysis*.

Researchers presenting at the event will include:

- Paula Carder, Ph.D., Interim Director of Institute on Aging at PSU and Associate Professor at the OHSU-PSU School of Public Health;
- Carolyn A. Mendez-Luck, Ph.D., M.P.H., and Jeff Luck, M.B.A., Ph.D., Associate Professors, College of Public Health and Human Sciences, Oregon State University.

When: 2-3 pm, Monday, Dec. 17; presenters will share research highlights and analysis from 2-2:30 p.m. following by a question and answer session.

Option to join include phone, Skype and in-person in Salem. To join the meeting, please contact APD Communications Officer Elisa Williams at Elisa.A.Williams@state.or.us or 503-509-9604 for details.

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