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## **Public notice and request for comment on 1915 (c) #40193, #40194, and #0375 Waiver renewals, #0565 and #0117 waiver amendments as well as 1915 (k) amendments.**

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The Oregon Department of Human Services' Office of Developmental Disabilities Services is seeking public comment regarding the 1915 (c) #40193, #40194, and #0375 Waiver renewals and #0565 and #0117 waiver amendments.

The 1915 (k) and waiver renewals and amendments are requesting to:

### **#0117 Children's Waiver amendment:**

- Add the Medicaid eligibility group §435.145 for Children with adoption assistance, foster care, or guardianship care under title IV-E.
- Remove the provider qualification of Qualified Intellectual Disability Professional, defined in 42 CFR 483.430 for State Trained Assessors to be consistent with the provider specifications for service for Waiver Case Management, State Trained Assessors.
- Update the Quality Improvement Strategy and performance measures to be consistent with other ODDS 1915 (c) waivers and based on CMS feedback.
- Update the change in name of the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigation (OAAPI) to Office of Training, Information and Safety (OTIS).

### **#0375 Adults' Waiver renewal:**

- Add the Medicaid eligibility group §435.145 for Children with adoption assistance, foster care, or guardianship care under title IV-E.
- Remove the provider qualification of Qualified Intellectual Disability Professional, defined in 42 CFR 483.430 for State Trained Assessors in B-6c to be consistent with the Appendix C provider specifications for service for Waiver Case Management, State Trained Assessors.
- Update the Quality Improvement Strategy and performance measures to be consistent with other ODDS 1915 (c) waivers and based on CMS feedback.
- Update the change in name of the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigation (OAAPI) to Office of Training, Information and Safety (OTIS).

## **#40193 and #40194 Model Waiver renewals and #0565 Model Waiver amendment:**

- Remove the provider qualification of Qualified Intellectual Disability Professional, defined in 42 CFR 483.430 for State Trained Assessors in B-6c to be consistent with the Appendix C provider specifications for service for Waiver Case Management, State Trained Assessors.
- Add Employment Path, Supported Employment - Individual Employment Support, Discovery/Career Exploration Services, and Supported Employment - Small Group Employment Support.
- Remove Special Diets due to lack of use.
- Add rate methodology for Waiver case management for employees of DHS, Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS).
- Update the Quality Improvement Strategy and performance measures to be consistent with other ODDS 1915 (c) waivers and based on CMS feedback.
- Update the change in name of the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigation (OAAPI) to Office of Training, Information and Safety (OTIS).

## **1915 (k) amendment:**

- Add Support Technology to the K-plan where enhanced supervision is necessary. This may be delivered utilizing technology equipment when such support reflects the assessed needs of the individual, is directed by the individual and the individual consents to the use of the technology equipment as documented in the person-centered service plan. This use of Support Technology would only be allowed in ODDS settings.
- Increase the local case management entity benefit approval limit on assistive technology and devices to \$1,200.
- Implement an Enhanced Foster Care model, which would allow for some children with intellectual and developmental disabilities to be diverted from children's residential placement to less costly and restrictive placements. This service would be developed by working with I/DD provider agencies to build capacity to provide this service in the child's and family's community.

The proposed waivers are online at <https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/DD/Pages/Compass-Project-Waivers-Rules-Policy.aspx>.

Print versions of the waivers are posted in local Community Developmental Disabilities Programs (<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/DD/Pages/county-programs.aspx>) and Support Services Brokerages (<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/DD/Pages/Support-Services-Brokerages.aspx>). Print versions may also be obtained from Joli Schroeder, Medicaid Waiver/State Plan Analyst, 503-507-2083, [joli.r.schroeder@state.or.us](mailto:joli.r.schroeder@state.or.us).

Interested parties are asked to submit comments via one of two methods: Send an email to [odds.info@state.or.us](mailto:odds.info@state.or.us) or send written comments addressed to ODDS Medicaid Waiver/State Plan Analyst, 500 Summer Street NE E-09, Salem, OR 97301.

**Deadline for comments is February 25, 2019.** Mail responses must be received by this date in order to be considered.