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Public notice and request for comment on 1915 (c) #0375, #0117, #0565, #40193, and #40194 waiver amendments.

(Salem, Ore.) -- The Oregon Department of Human Services' Office of Developmental Disabilities Services is seeking public comment regarding the 1915 (c) # 0375 Adults' Waiver #0117 Children's Waiver, #0565 Medically Involved Children's waiver, #40193 Medically Fragile Model waiver, #40194 Behavioral Model waiver amendments.

The 1915 (c) # 0375 Adults' Waiver #0117 Children's Waiver, #0565 Medically Involved Children's waiver, #40193 Medically Fragile Model waiver, #40194 Behavioral Model waiver amendments are requesting to:

- Update references from DHS to ODHS and adding Oregon to Department of Human Services throughout the waiver application.
- Update language regarding the OHA review of ODDS quality assurance reports.
- Update language regarding risks to be consistent throughout the waiver application.
- Update language in performance measures.
- Update references to the Continuous Improvement Committee to reflect current practice.
- When an emergency has been determined by ODDS, allow face-to-face requirements for service planning meetings to be waived and signatures of service plans to be verbally or by email.

In addition to the above changes, the #0565 Medically Involved Children's waiver, #40193 Medically Fragile Model waiver, #40194 Behavioral Model waiver also propose to:

- Remove relative as an option for providing Employment Path to be consistent with current practice. No relatives are currently providing Employment Path services through these waivers.

The proposed 1915 (c) # 0375 Adults' Waiver #0117 Children's Waiver, #0565 Medically Involved Children's waiver, #40193 Medically Fragile Model waiver,

#40194 Behavioral Model waiver amendments 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 Schroader, Medicaid Waiver/State Plan Analyst, 503-507-2083, joli.r.schroader@dhsosha.state.or.us.

Interested parties are asked to submit comments via one of two methods: Send an email to 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 July 7, 2021. Mail responses must be received by this date in order to be considered.

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