

# Executive Order Statewide Stakeholder Policy Meeting

October 7, 2020

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Minutes taken by: Debra Stevens

Facilitated by: Acacia McGuire Anderson

## Introductions

## Review Agenda

- ODDS is scheduling a Stakeholder meeting later this month regarding the effects of COVID-19.
- Please submit ideas to Acacia

## Review last month's meeting minutes

Reviewed last month's minutes.

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## VR Update

- Howard reminded the group that during the last meeting with this group, he reported on innovative policies VR has been implementing since COVID-19 restrictions.
- VR has data covering mid-March through the end of August, which was the last full month of data.
- Total of 2157 individuals applied, which includes 580 new applications.
- VR is seeing number climb. Around the time COVID-19 hit in March/April, VR was averaging about 400/month. By June, that number had increased to around 600/month.
- Big question: concern for bottlenecks and how long to process.
- Of 1178 requests for services, 55% applications have been completed.
- There was a period of 30 days when VR was unable to process applications due to no mechanism in place to conduct remote intakes.
- Working through backlog now – average of 344 applications being completed per month.
- Still backlogged a little, but improving.
- Closed 339 individuals in new jobs, and 29 supported employment closures.
- Good numbers considering having to reinvent way of doing business.

Q – Will VR be issuing a message to teachers regarding prioritizing referrals to VR?

A – Unknown. However, people should refer earlier rather than later. Takes longer to do intakes virtually, plus post office delays with documents. Be sure to let VR know of any technology needs, as well.

Q – Is there a funding mechanism to get technology into the hands of participants, such as laptops, internet access, etc.?

A – Because lack of technology and access, VR can do entire intake over the phone. If there are issues around access to indoor services, refer to community resources or work with them for workarounds.

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## Education Update

- Mike Franklin reported ODE has been busy due to fires and COVID-19.
- Questions remain around some classes beginning next week.
- Kriss Rita reported she presented at the ODE/COSA fall conference this past week.
- During a half-day pre-conference, Ryley presented on LifeCourse; the goal is to include LifeCourse statewide as a bridge from educational to adult services.
- Kriss presented websites demonstrating how some providers are conducting virtual agency nights with families across the state.
- Pre ETS statewide job clubs are being held virtually; might be learning about other parts of the state.
- Discussions on independent living plans are also happening virtually.
- Working on person-centered plan training to train more facilitators.
- Two TNFs are well-versed and trained in seamless transition teams.
- New podcasts are being recorded and presented regularly.
- Working on informational videos on developing virtual outings for clients.
- Targeting professionals across the state.
- Videos covering voting, ABLE accounts, and pre-employment transitioning have been completed.
- Acacia reported there are questions about how to get this PA/SC information into the hands of families.
- Currently working with Laura on videos covering informed choice and 101 for brokerages.
- Families get overwhelmed with choices for transition students when they reach 18; need information earlier.
- Educators need to help people making informed choices.
- Laura said website easy to navigate.
- DRO has posted an easy voters guide online.

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## Lane Data Report: September Data Report

- André shared the report will retain the same format as last year's report.
- André projected the report on-screen and directed people to Page 6, where data tables begin.
- Table 1 displays the number of individuals receiving Supported Employment Services in an integrated setting.  
In 2020, The majority of individuals who entered an IPE were Transition Age.  
Drop in years past as COVID-19 affected 2020 data.  
This table includes some EOS data from March 2020, and for the entire year.
- Table 2  
Looks at new small group and JC services for people.

Q – When will a report more recent data reflecting effects of COVID-19?

A – Table 2 displays data from March-July. We might have to look back to capture a full year; however, most of the data in this table does reflect some results related to COVID-19. First quarter mark of 2020, and second quarter, which does reflect COVID-19.

- Chart 1 – VR Successful Case Closures on Monthly Basis  
Closures declined April-June.  
VR data variations due to seasonality.  
Reflects how COVID-19 affected VR closure numbers.
- Table 3 – Number of individuals working based on EOS wage data  
Same or slightly dropped reflecting when COVID-19 started to hit.
- Table 4 – March 2020 snapshot of number of people working over 20 hours

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Includes some persons with a job coach.

Total 15% population working 20 hours likely due to COVID 19 impact

- Metric 5 (Page 12)  
Target 16.6% population working 20 hours or more; however, number of people dropped due to COVID-19 closures.
- Metric 9 – Decrease in the number of people receiving Sheltered Employment services  
This metric was met, as well as Metric 10.
- Metric 11 – Increase the number of adults with developmental disabilities receiving ODDS employment services and reported as receiving sheltered workshop services who obtain Competitive Integrated Employment  
We met this metric at 1023, above what the Settlement Agreement mandated.  
Acacia added that ODDS only has 92 left to go to reach 1115; the hope is to reach this goal by the end of this state fiscal year.

Q – Will ODDS be releasing a family-friendly version of this report?

A – Yes. Angela replied it is usually produced at the beginning of October; however, this year she is hoping to have it out sometime in November.

- Table 7 – New Supported Employment Services to Target Populations  
As directed by the Settlement Agreement, the state is required to ensure at least half of the transition-age target population receiving a new supported employment service will also receive an IPE from VR by July 1, 2022.

Thus far in FY 2020, 88 percent of these transition-age individuals have received an IPE from VR.

- Methodology information is included at the end of the report; the report will be

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published soon.

- Acacia remarked the template is outlined by the settlement agreement, which allows an easy comparison from year-to-year. Plus, André's methodology better allows for consistent data presentation.
- Nicole gave kudos André. She met with him in February and acknowledged Oregon's progress is a huge testament to all.

## Impact Oregon Update

- Angela presented four logo examples for the Impact Oregon website.
- Angela asked for feedback from the group.
- Website launching soon, with public launch planned for either December or January.
- As a refresher, Angela informed the group that Impact Oregon is a job board for DD system providers and job seekers, and incorporates several career ladders.
- One career ladder focuses on teaching and retaining workers.
- We bought the URL to Impact Oregon.
- Fully independent website, not on Oregon DHS sites.
- Angela took an impromptu poll of the group to select the logo they liked best.
- Number one clear winner – "jobs that help people."
- Different social media ad work, too.
- Acacia asked for help from providers to post jobs.
- We also need people to test the website.
- Please share your resources with whom Angela and Acacia could connect.
- Laura suggested Dan Spatz would be a good contact.

## National Disability Employment Awareness (NDEAM) Virtual Event

- October is National Disability Employment Awareness month.
- Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be a virtual panel discussion; the panel will include Pennie Hartley, Laura Noppenberger, and Anais Keena and Trey Schneider with the City of Portland.
- Trey was previously a Project Search intern.

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- Target population is everyone; this is a public event.
- Angela shared a flyer with the group.

## Wrap Up

- Acacia reported ODDS is running a stakeholder group in October addressing the impact of COVID-19.
- Acacia asked members to share where there are in reopening services and what ODDS can do to help.
- Kathy with MVA reported many individuals lost jobs early on in the pandemic.
- Concerns about going back to work. There have been a couple of job placements, but mostly people are waiting to get to the other side. Not much job development, etc., activity.
- Amber shared similar stories in Southern Oregon; not many new placements and not submitting reopening plans for Discovery services. Businesses that were open to continuing are now not so willing. 25% reduction of people working. Challenge to align staffing. Fire devastated people in low-income housing, affecting both staff and participants.
- Corey reported job development is on pause for many providers; however, when it's safe for people to return to work, huge numbers will hit all at once.
- Acacia reported that early on she and Heather discussed VR becoming the "it" service when economy reopens.
- Justin shared that he is currently working and all is going pretty well for him.
- Paul said he had queried providers early on regarding virtual services. Most understand they need to find ways to adapt. Providers are doing what is possible and what they can.
- Laura has providers connecting virtually and some people returning to jobs. She knows of an agency experienced with Discovery that is ready to expand to Eastern Oregon. Umatilla is actively finding jobs and providing ongoing job coaching. WITCO could adapt quickly.

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## Next Meeting Agenda Items – November 4, 2020

- Reopening services and how ODDS can help
- Outcome/successes report
- Impact Oregon careers
- 20 hour – assistance to reach goal

<b>Membership:</b>			
	<b>Seth Johnson</b> Opportunity Foundation of Central Oregon – Providers	X	<b>Paul Partridge</b> Deschutes CDDP – Counties
X	<b>Corey Jeppesen</b> Oregon Resource Association (ORA) – Providers	X	<b>Laura Noppenberger</b> Eastern Oregon Support Services Brokerage
	<b>Heather Hopkins-Slechta</b> Full Access Brokerage High Desert – Brokerage		<b>Roberta Dunn</b> FACT – Family Members
	<b>Cam Jordan</b> Oregon Commission for the Blind		<b>Keith Ozols</b> DHS – Vocational Rehabilitation
	<b>Ross Ryan</b> Oregon Self Advocacy Coalition – Self Advocate	X	<b>Liz Fox</b> Alternative Work Concepts – Providers
X	<b>Ryley Newport</b> Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities – Advocacy	X	<b>Margaret Theisen</b> Pearl Buck -- Providers
X	<b>Mike Franklin</b> Oregon Department of Education	X	<b>Allen Cress</b> Edwards Center – Providers
	<b>Heather Lindsey</b>	X	<b>Justin Connolly</b>



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	Vocational Rehabilitation		Oregon Self Advocacy Coalition – Self Advocate
X	<b>Kriss Rita</b> Education, Transition Network		
	<b>Lilia Teninty</b> DHS – Office of Developmental Disabilities	X	<b>Acacia McGuire Anderson</b> DHS – Employment First
X	<b>Kathy Schlotfeldt</b> MV Advancements – Providers	X	<b>Michael Salitore</b> Molalla School District – Education
X	<b>Pennie Hartley</b> Vocational Rehabilitation		<b>Senator Sara Gelser</b> Oregon Senate – Legislature
X	<b>Howard Fulk</b> Vocational Rehabilitation		
	<b>Invited Guests:</b>		
X	Rebecca Sexton – ODDS	X	Ellen Mendoza – DOJ
X	Angela Yeager – ODDS		Theresa Knowles, ODDS
X	Andre Harboe – ODDS		Robin Brandt, VR
X	Tim Acker – ODDS		Erica Drake, ODDS
X	Allison Enriquez – ODDS		Julie Huber – ODDS
	Nathan Deeks, ODDS	X	Karen McKenney, FACT
X	Brad Collins, ODDS	X	Amber Robles, Living Opportunities
X	Gene Rada, ODDS	X	Nicole Jorwic, IR
X	Melanie Hartwig, ODDS	X	Micah Sischo - ODDS