

Adult Foster Home Provider Alert

Policy updates, rule clarifications and announcements

Date: January 22nd, 2021
To: APD Adult Foster Home Providers
From: Safety, Oversight and Quality Unit
Topic: **Portland State University (PSU) Questionnaire**



To: Adult Foster Home Owners
From: Aging and People with Disabilities, Safety, Oversight and Quality Unit
Subject: Portland State University (PSU) Questionnaire

Summary: Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) asked the Institute on Aging at Portland State University (IOA-PSU) to collect information about adult foster homes (AFHs).

We understand that 2020 has been a challenging year for AFH owners, staff, and residents, and want to express our gratitude for your participation. The information that AFH owners provide helps us understand changes over time in resident needs and staffing levels, and how to define and achieve quality standards for AFHs and other Community-Based Care facilities.

650 AFHs were randomly selected from all AFHs in Oregon. If your home was selected, you received a mailed copy of the questionnaire from IOA-PSU in December 2020. The PSU study team will call to see if you received your copy and to answer any questions about this project.

If you did not receive a letter from PSU, you can ignore this alert.

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The deadline for returning the questionnaire to IOA-PSU is January 29, 2021.

If you need another copy of the questionnaire, contact Sheryl Elliott at 503.725.2130 or email cbcor@pdx.edu, or download a copy from <https://www.pdx.edu/ioa/oregon-community-based-care-project>

DHS staff provided input on the questionnaire and they support this project. The prior AFH reports, along with reports about assisted living, residential care, and memory care communities, are available at <https://www.pdx.edu/ioa/oregon-community-based-care-project>.

If you have any questions, please email APD.AFHTeam@dhsosha.state.or.us