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Topic: **ORCHARDS System Training and Information**



The Background Check Unit (BCU) will be using a new database and processing system for abuse and criminal records checks. The new system, called the Oregon Criminal History and Abuse Records Data System (ORCHARDS) replaces the Criminal Records Information Management System (CRIMS) which has been in use since October 2011.

ORCHARDS is more secure and easier to use. Clients needing background checks will find [ORCHARDS](#) to be more user friendly and accessible to agencies and subject individuals.

Please click [here](#) to access ORCHARDS trainings in order to familiarize and prepare yourself for the transition to the new system. On this website you'll find more information about the system as well as specific training videos for Qualified Entity Designees (QED). You can also access this website by clicking the link below or copying it into your web browser.

<https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/BUSINESS-SERVICES/CHC/Pages/ORCHARDS.aspx>

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