

Hello APD, ODDS Stakeholders and Other Interested Parties:

The Oregon Home Care Commission is revising chapter 418, division 20 Oregon administrative rules (Oregon Home Care Commission Functions) to extend the implementation timelines for mandatory training for homecare and personal support workers as a result of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on curriculum development, piloting, and available resources.

Rules are also being amended to implement Senate Bill 669 and House Bill 2011 requirements, both passed during the 2019 Legislative Session. Senate Bill 669 requires an assessment of competency before a homecare or personal support worker may work for consumers of Medicaid in-home services. House Bill 2011 requires homecare and personal support workers to complete cultural competency training as part of their on-going continuing education.

The Department anticipates there will be one meeting. Participation will be through Zoom with the option to call-in. The rule advisory committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

If you would like to serve on the rule advisory committee, please reply to Jenny Cokeley at Jenny.E.Cokeley@dhsosha.state.or.us and express your interest by Monday, July 27, 2020. Jenny will finalize the participant list on July 31, 2020 and send meeting details and draft rules.