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To: All ODDS Staff and Stakeholders

From: Lilia Teninty, Director, Office of Developmental Disabilities Services

I am very pleased to announce access to a new training platform for Direct Support Professionals working for provider agencies and in foster care homes.

In 2017, the Oregon Legislature approved increasing I/DD adult foster home licenses by \$30 per bed and I/DD group home licenses by \$20. The increased funding for license fees paid by the providers is being used to fund access to an online training curriculum for 1,000 DSPs. ODDS' will coordinate administration of the seats in the online training curriculum through Elsevier.

We formed a group called the Statewide Online Learning Committee, made up of organizations we collaborated with on the fee agreement. The committee has agreed to distribute the training seats as follows: 400 seats to residential providers, 400 to foster care and 200 will be unassigned. The unassigned seats will be assigned as we see how many DSPs register in the coming months.

Provider agencies can request up to 50 seats at a time and will use the attached form to request training. The committee will regularly review use of the training opportunities throughout this training pilot.

Ultimately, our goal is to try to simplify access to training to help providers retain knowledgeable, skilled DSPs, to better serve the individuals we support. I am pleased to see this effort become a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lilia". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "L".

Lilia Teninty
Director
Office of Developmental Disabilities Services

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Statewide Online Learning Access Request

Registration Request (to be filled out by the applicant)

Applicant Information

Application Date:

Date Hired:

Applicant Name:

Last

First

M.I.

Email Address:

Provider:

Facility/Home:

Home Address (include County):

Position:

- Direct Support Professional
- Foster Parent
- Other _____

Please send your registration information to oddsdsp.onlinelearning@state.or.us