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To: All ODDS Staff and Stakeholders

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

On Nov. 28, Governor Kate Brown published her proposed recommended budget for the 2019-2021 biennium.

You can access both the summary and full versions of her budget online at <https://www.oregon.gov/newsroom/Pages/NewsDetail.aspx?newsid=3024>

The message from DHS Director Fariborz Pakseresht is available [online](#).

The Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities system

The governor's recommended budget (GRB) maintains funding for I/DD services. It funds ODDS at \$2.916 billion total funds, a 7.5 percent increase from the 2017-2019 Legislatively Approved Budget.

Oregon's intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) system will benefit from the investments the governor is recommending. And, like all budgets, there will be trade-offs in some areas.

The governor recommended some investments in the ODDS budget that will benefit individuals and families and continues the program's focus on community-based services as an ongoing priority.

The budget maintains support for the programs serving individuals with I/DD by:

- **Protecting current eligibility criteria.**
- **Including funding for Personal Support Worker bargaining.**

- **Expanding children’s services** with a new “enhanced foster care” service, which will increase capacity to support children with significant needs. This investment also expands residential group home capacity for children in need of those services and includes an expansion in the capacity of the Children’s In-home Intensive Services (CIIS) program.
- **Continuing the work on the Centralized Abuse Management system**, which will be an instrumental, integrated statewide system for tracking, reporting, analyzing and investigating incidents of adult abuse.

Reductions

- **The GRB recommends funding equity for Brokerages and CDDPs at 93 percent.**
- **The budget proposes expending the \$6 million Fairview Housing Trust Fund on services dedicated to individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities.**
- **Phased closing of the Elliott Homes.** A specific reduction was included to phase out the Elliott Homes, within the Stabilization and Crisis Unit.

The budget process takes time and raises questions and concerns along the way. In January, the Legislature will begin the difficult work of developing what will become the final, Legislatively Approved Budget (LAB). There will be many opportunities for I/DD advocates, stakeholders and providers to give input to Legislators throughout the session. I look forward to working with you throughout this process and I will provide you with information as we learn more.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Julie".

Lilia Teninty
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