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To: All ODDS Staff and Stakeholders

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

Re: Compass Project update: A pause on some items

Today I'd like to share an important update.

We value the input we continue to receive as we work through the Compass Project with you. As a result of that input, we will pause some of our work and adjust the implementation timeline accordingly. Here's the update:

Service planning

Oregon Needs Assessment

Stakeholders have encouraged us to add an additional step to the Oregon Needs Assessment (ONA) development process. As a result, we will contract with a university to review the reliability and validity analysis Mission Analytics completed for the ONA. We expect the work by the university to be completed by March 2018.

Some people have asked for an understandable definition of reliability and validation. Here are some examples:

- Reliability is when two trained assessors who have the same information will give similar scores.
- Validity is when the question asks for the information we truly want to measure. For example: If we want to know if someone is able to tie their shoes, we may ask them "Are you able to tie your shoes?" We wouldn't ask "Did you put your shoes on

yourself this morning?" because that question isn't relevant to their shoe tying ability.

Records review. Several stakeholders and partners have been invited to participate in a record review process that was planned to start in December. As a result of the additional step of reliability and validity analysis the records review will be postponed and will be rescheduled after we have the university report.

Training. The ONA trainings scheduled for December through February will be postponed. A new training schedule will be announced when we're closer to having the university report.

Contract amendments for CDDPs/Brokerages to separate assessment from case management functions for the ONA. The contract amendments will continue to be processed so they are ready when we have a new start date. The expectation is that the separation of duties doesn't start until the CDDPs and Brokerages are notified when this change is to begin.

Individual Support Plan process redesign

ISP process redesign work is moving ahead. Responses to the request for proposals for the redesign of the ISP planning process will be reviewed next week. We intend to begin this roll out in February as planned.

Rate-setting models

We received feedback that using the term "public comment period" in our communication seeking input on the rate-setting models caused providers to think the proposal was more final than it is. We apologize for that confusion.

We are extending the feedback timeframe until December 31, 2017 for issues that can be reviewed that are unrelated to the service level group framework. We will have an additional time for feedback later in the process, after the service group levels are identified.

Waivers and rules

We need to continue work on the waiver and K Plan amendments. We will consider adjustments to the timelines for submission when we have firmer information on the timeline for the revalidation report.

Impact of the pause

Reviewing the reliability and validity analysis Mission Analytics did for the ONA will be valuable to the I/DD system. We will either know that we can move forward with our efforts on the ONA with confidence, or we will know where we need to do more work.

Please remember, the Legislature directed us to have the ONA process in place by June 1, 2018. I will share with key legislators that we no longer expect to meet that timeframe.

In addition, the Legislatively Approved Budget (LAB) required ODDS to find \$12 million in General Fund savings during the current biennium. Pausing this work, and the delay caused to future parts of the project as a result, means that it will take longer to identify whether or not the ONA and the resulting service level group framework will make any kind of budget impact. That means we will need to step up our efforts to identify other options to secure the required \$12 million in savings. We will keep you posted as we explore those options.

Sincerely,

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

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