

**To: All ODDS Staff and Stakeholders**  
**From: ODDS Director Lilia Teninty**  
**Re: Weekly ODDS Status Report, Stakeholder Call for Individuals and Families Recap**

***Attached is this week's ODDS status report.***

I want to thank everyone that took the time to call in to our call for individuals and families on Wednesday. I did get a couple additional questions by email after the call, which I have included below so everyone can benefit from them.

One of our top priorities over the next couple of weeks is to make sure that everyone who may be affected by ending placement of new entrants into sheltered workshops on July 1, 2015 has information about options and other employment services that will be available to them.

The questions that were brought forward during the call were very thoughtful and I greatly appreciate the involvement of families and people with I/DD in this important discussion. I would like to go provide a few of questions and answers now for those who were not able to participate. We are working on having all the questions that were asked put into an FAQ that will be available soon.

**Question:** Can someone who is currently working in a sheltered workshop move to a different sheltered workshop?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Questions:** Is there a deadline for transferring to another sheltered workshop?

**Answer:** No, there is no deadline to transfer.

**Question:** Are there resources to help sheltered workshops transform if they want to provide more integrated employment services?

**Answer:** Yes. We are working with about half of the sheltered workshops in Oregon to help them transform. We really believe the agencies that have been providing sheltered workshop services will be an important part of our efforts to support people with I/DD as they explore, gain and maintain integrated jobs in the community. This is particular important in the rural areas.

**Question:** Can a person who is receiving sheltered workshop services before July 1, 2015 return to a sheltered workshop one year from July 1, 2016 or one year from when they leave?

**Answer:** One year from when they leave, which provides an opportunity for exploring integrated work in the community.

**Question:** Can a person who is receiving sheltered workshop services before July 1, 2015 leave a sheltered workshop for to try community integrated employment multiple times?

**Answer:** Yes.

If you have additional questions I encourage you to take a look at our other FAQ documents which are available at <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/spd/tools/dd/cm/>.

Transmittals for this week:

- Job Coaching in POC
- July 1 Wage Requirements

- Revision of PT-15-003 Annual Functional needs assessment

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