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March 15, 2021

To: All ODDS Staff and Stakeholders

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

Subject: NCI Child Family Survey

Earlier this year we provided information on the [Adult In-Person Survey](#) and the [Staff Stability Survey](#).

Another important National Core Indicators (NCI) survey will occur in Oregon this year. The NCI Child Family Survey is for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and it begins this month. We know this past year has been difficult and we appreciate everyone's attention to this survey. This year's survey will include COVID-19 related questions so we can strive to better understand the impact the pandemic has had on children and their families.

NCI is a collaborative effort between the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services and the Human Services Research Institute. Forty-six states and the District of Columbia participate in the project, giving us good comparative data.

The core indicators the NCI project developed look at outcomes for individuals and families receiving services. Indicators target employment, rights, service planning, community inclusion, choice and health and safety.

The Child Family Survey is a paper survey that will be mailed to all families with a child with I/DD who lives in the family home and receives at least one service other than case management. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete.

This survey will be mailed in March 2021. Families will have the option to complete the survey online, which goes directly to NCI, or they can mail their completed survey to the Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities who will input responses into the online system. The survey is completely confidential so no one will know how families answer the questions.

For more information on NCI, please visit its website at <http://www.nationalcoreindicators.org/>.

For questions about the survey process in Oregon, please contact Julie Hoyt at [Julie.Hoyt@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:Julie.Hoyt@dhsosha.state.or.us) or by phone at 503-891-7405.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lilia". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning.

Lilia Teninty  
Director  
Office of Developmental Disabilities Services

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