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To: All ODDS Staff and Stakeholders

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

In the <u>last message</u>, we provided information on the recently released National Core Indicators (NCI) Staff Stability Survey. There are two additional NCI surveys that Oregon is participating in – one is for adults and one is for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). 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.

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 surveys are:

Adult in Person Survey: This is a face-to-face conversation with randomly selected adults who are receiving intellectual and developmental disability (I/DD) services. Trained Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) interviewers will schedule a time to meet with the identified adult, and guardian if appropriate. People can choose to have someone assist them in the interview. All information shared is confidential and results are anonymous. Oregon must complete at least 400 interviews to be included in the national report (which includes information from all participating states). OHSU will begin calling individuals to schedule interviews the beginning of February 2018.

Child Family Survey: This paper survey will be mailed to all families with a child living at home and receiving I/DD services. The survey takes about 20 minutes to

complete. Oregon's services to children have expanded, so it is especially important for families to complete this survey and tell us how they feel about the services they are receiving. This survey will be mailed in March 2018. This year families will be able 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.

For more information on NCI, please visit its website at http://www.nationalcoreindicators.org/. For questions about the survey process in Oregon, please contact Neal Kushiyama at Neal.T.Kushiyama@dhsoha.state.or.us; 503-373-2147.

Thank you for your participation in these very important surveys.

Sincerely,

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