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To: ODDS Stakeholders

From: Lilia Teninty, Director, Office of Developmental Disabilities Services, on behalf of the Oregon Human Rights Commission

Subject: Positions available on Human Rights Commission: join today!

Several positions in the new Human Rights Commission still need to be filled. Please consider applying or sending this out to others who may be interested in this unique opportunity.

Please consider applying to be a member of the Commission, if you are:

- a sibling of a person with intellectual or developmental disability (I/DD), or
- part of a disability advocacy organization

Do you fit in one of those roles? Are you interested in people's rights? If so, please apply!

These two positions bring the voice of people with disabilities and their families to this important work.

The Human Rights Commission is a result of an Oregon law ([Senate Bill 493](#)). The Commission's role is to safeguard the dignity and basic human rights of people with I/DD. The Commission will be an important resource for people in I/DD in Oregon and we encourage anyone who might be interested in being a member of the Commission to learn more about it.

The law specifies membership for people in certain roles (like being a person with I/DD or a service provider). It's also important that the Commission reflect the diversity of our state and the people we support.

Please review the attached flyer for details about membership and how to apply. The Governor's Office is accepting [applications](#) for Human Rights Commission members now. Please apply by November 1, 2021.

We encourage you to share the flyer broadly. If you have questions about the Commission or the open positions, please contact Brooke Hall, 971-707-3847, brooke.m.hall@dhs.oha.state.or.us.

Please help us spread the word!

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
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