

Action Request Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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Issue date: 2/10/2022

Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Due date: 3/11/2022

Subject: Direct Nursing Services in 24-Hour Group Homes

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All ODHS Employees | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging: {Select type} | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aging and People with Disabilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self Sufficiency Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Intensive In Home Services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers | <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify</i>): Service Coordinators |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs | |

Action required:

The Office of Developmental Disabilities Service (ODDS) is moving forward with the Compass Project rate model implementation for 24-hour residential group homes scheduled for July 1, 2022. As part of the implementation process, adults 21 years and older with complex medical conditions can receive Direct Nursing Services (DNS) in a 24-hour residential setting if they meet eligibility criteria outlined in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) [411-380](#).

In anticipation of the July 1, 2022 implementation, ODDS is requiring Community Developmental Disabilities Programs (CDDPs) review their records of individuals with complex medical conditions currently residing in 24-hour residential homes to determine whether a referral for DNS should be completed.

CDDP service coordinators will need to review records to confirm high-technology medical needs secondary to complex medical diagnoses. This technology is needed for the individual to sustain life. Complex medical indicators include the individual:

- Has a tracheostomy; or,
- Is on a ventilator or BiPAP machine; or,

- Receives ongoing central line infusions in the home for pain management or nutrition; and,
- Has at least one of the following significant medical needs:
 - Receives home oxygen or daily suctioning.
 - Receives dialysis in the home.
 - Has moderate to severe seizures occurring weekly or multiple times daily.

If individuals have any of the indicators noted above, service coordinators should request a DNS referral. The technical assistance form for requesting a criteria is located in transmittal [DD-IM-21-063](#). Please include any medical documentation available with your DNS referral including current nursing care plans, identified RIT's, medical protocols and any other medical information that helps demonstrate the medical necessity.

ODDS has previously completed DNS criteria's for some individuals in 24-hour residential homes in response to transmittal [APD-AR-18-060](#). If an individual was previously identified, had a criteria completed, and a DNS Eligibility Memo sent to the service coordinator, a new referral for DNS does **not** need to be sent in. ODDS will be contacting these service coordinators no later than February 14, 2022 to schedule new criteria.

For individuals who have moved from an Adult Foster Home or In-Home Setting into a 24-Residential Home within the last two years and were previously determined DNS eligible (with a DNS Eligibility Memo) in their previous setting, please send a technical assistance form with the information for review.

To allow sufficient time for ODDS to schedule all new requests, we are asking CDDP's to review their records and send in any referrals and/or questions **no later than March 11, 2022**.

Reason for action:

ODDS is requesting assistance from CDDP service coordinators to help identify any individuals who may be eligible for DNS to assure those individuals access to the DNS services by the July 1, 2022 timeline. In order for services to be in place (eligibility, determination of support hours, choice advising for providers and enrollment of providers if new providers) a DNS criteria first needs to be completed by the ODDS Health Management Specialist or its contractor.

Communication/training:

This transmittal will be discussed during the next Monthly Transmittal Review. Please send questions in advance to ODDS.Questions@dhsosha.state.or.us.

The Monthly Transmittal Reviews are held the second Wednesday of every month at 2

pm using the Zoom platform. Please register in advance for these meetings:
https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsc_qvqD8iGURx5OQk8TAdlS6Arg9ZAf4

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing an appointment and information about joining the meeting. American Sign Language (ASL) and live captioning will be provided. To request other accommodations or languages, please send an email to ODDS.Questions@dhsosha.state.or.us at least three business days prior to the meeting.

Field/stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by:

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