

# Policy Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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**Number: DD-PT-22-053**

**Issue date: 05/26/2022**

**Topic:** Developmental Disabilities

**Due date:** N/A

**Transmitting (check the box that best applies):**

- New policy   
  Policy change   
  Policy clarification   
  Executive letter  
 Administrative Rule   
  Manual update   
  Other:

**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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): Employment Services, VR      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children’s Residential Services           |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs                         |  |

<b>Policy/rule title:</b>	Employment First: Oregon Project SEARCH Policies and Procedures		
<b>Policy/rule number(s):</b>		<b>Release number:</b>	
<b>Effective date:</b>	05/26/2022	<b>Expiration date:</b>	
<b>References:</b>			
<b>Web address:</b>	<a href="https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/Project-SEARCH-Policies.pdf">https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/Project-SEARCH-Policies.pdf</a>		

**Discussion/interpretation:**

Oregon’s Office of Developmental Disabilities (ODDS) and Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) are publishing a joint Employment First Policies and Procedures guide for Oregon Project SEARCH.

The NEW Project SEARCH Policies and Procedures can be found here:

<https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/Project-SEARCH-Policies.pdf>

**Additional Resources:**

-VR Policy Page: <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/EMPLOYMENT/VR/Pages/Policies-Rules.aspx>

-I/DD Employment Policy Page: <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/employment/employment-first/Pages/policy.aspx>

**Training/communication plan:**

This transmittal will be discussed during the following calls:

The next Employment First Quarterly call: Date and Time TBD

This transmittal will be discussed during the next Monthly Transmittal Review. Please send questions in advance to [ODDS.Questions@dhs.oha.state.or.us](mailto:ODDS.Questions@dhs.oha.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-qvqD8iGURx5OQk8TAdIS6Arg9ZAf4>

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@dhs.oha.state.or.us](mailto:ODDS.Questions@dhs.oha.state.or.us) at least three business days prior to the meeting.

**Local/branch action required:**

**Central office action required:**

**Field/stakeholder review:**  Yes  No

**If yes, reviewed by:** ODDS Engagement & Innovation Website; Employment First Policy & Innovation Stakeholder Meeting

*If you have any questions about this policy, contact:*

Contact(s): ODDS Regional Employment Specialists:

<https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/EMPLOYMENT/EMPLOYMENT-FIRST/Documents/Map-ODDS-Regional-Employment-Specialists.pdf>

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