

# Policy Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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**Issue date: 06/30/2022**

**Topic:** Developmental Disabilities

**Due date:**

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Intensive In Home Services           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU)                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs                          |  |

<b>Policy/rule title:</b>	Healthier Oregon Program		
<b>Policy/rule number(s):</b>	411-304-0130, 411-317-0000, 411-320-0080, 411-325-0390, 411-328-0790, 411-340-0100, 411-345-0027, 411-346-0240, 411-348-0390, 411-360-0190, 411-380-0030, 411-415-0030, 411-435-0030, 411-450-0030, 411-455-0020	<b>Release number:</b>	
<b>Effective date:</b>	07/01/2022	<b>Expiration date:</b>	
<b>References:</b>	<a href="#">HB 3352</a>		
<b>Web address:</b>	<a href="https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/DD/ODDSRules/Temp-Eligibility-HOP.pdf">https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/SENIORS-DISABILITIES/DD/ODDSRules/Temp-Eligibility-HOP.pdf</a>		

## **Discussion/interpretation:**

**\*\*Please note there is a significant change to this policy from the version posted to the ODDS Engagement and Innovation webpage regarding individuals who turn 26.**

Effective July 1, 2022, immigration status will not affect eligibility for developmental disability services in Oregon. Every person who is determined to have a qualifying intellectual or developmental disability can enroll into case management services.

The Healthier Oregon Program will allow all residents of the state who are ***\*\*age 19 through 25\*\**** and at least 55 years old to have the benefits of the Oregon Health Plan and Long-Term Services and Supports such as those offered by the Office of Developmental Disabilities Services. ***\*\*Members will not lose coverage because they turn 26 through at least July 2023. They may be able to keep coverage longer if the program expands.\*\****

People who are eligible for developmental disability services and are enrolled in the Healthier Oregon Program are eligible for the full array of available services otherwise funded through the K plan or waivers. Choice advising, service authorizations, service limitations, and case management services are the same for the Healthier Oregon Program enrollees as for Medicaid participants (OSIPM or HSD Medical programs).

To know if someone is enrolled in the Healthier Oregon Program, in the eXPRS View Client Medicaid Eligibility tab, you will see a case descriptor "HOP." If a new applicant for services is not enrolled in Medicaid or the Healthier Oregon Program, assist them to access the local office to be enrolled, if needed. The addition of the Healthier Oregon Program coding does not change any operations with respect to enrollment and service eligibility.

Individuals enrolled to a CME under the Non-Citizenship pilot project (through a variance to the citizenship requirement or otherwise) will need to complete a DD application (DHS 0552) no later than September 30, 2022. ODDS will end the Non-Citizenship pilot project at that time. The CDDP must make a new determination based on the application, send a Notice of Eligibility, and enter an eligibility line in eXPRS if needed. Assistance to enroll in the Healthier Oregon Program should be provided as needed. Enrollment to the Healthier Oregon Program is the same process as enrollment to Medicaid programs.

## **Training/communication plan:**

This transmittal will be discussed during the next Monthly Transmittal Review. Please send questions in advance to [ODDS.Questions@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto: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-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@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us) at least three business days prior to the meeting.

**Field/stakeholder review:**  Yes  No

**If yes, reviewed by:** Posted to the Engagement and Innovations webpage.

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

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