



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF
Human Services

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Office of Aging and People with Disabilities (APD)

Senate Bill 739 implementation plan review and discussion

Agenda

1. Welcome, introductions, community agreements
2. Safety, Oversight and Quality unit
3. Senate Bill 739 revised implementation plan timeline
4. Administrative Rules related to SB 739 implementation, process and timeline
5. Wrap up and next steps



Community agreements



- Be present and participate
- Contribute thoughtfully and creatively
- Engage with professional respect
- Foster accountability and collaboration
- Uphold a safe and inclusive environment
- Commit to growth and positive progress

SB 739 Implementation Table

Purpose statement

- Share progress on APD's work to strengthen safety, oversight, and quality;
- Share regulatory and rulemaking updates; and
- Outline upcoming timelines and opportunities for engagement.



Safety planning

Strengthening Safety and Regulatory Oversight Plan

Safety, Oversight and Quality (SOQ)	Adult Protective Services (APS)	Safety and Emergency Response
Senate Bill 739	Adult Protective Services Safety Oversight Plan	Critical Incident Response System
A&M recommendations		Emergency Response Management
HSG recommendations		
Safety Data Dashboard		

SB 739 implementation: work completed

Q3 2025

July / Aug. / Sept.

- Implementation prep / collaboration with Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) and Behavioral Health Division of the Oregon Health Authority (OHA)
- Operationalized on-site visitation to facilities with suspicious deaths within 24 hours of receiving report (September)

Q4 2025

Oct. / Nov. / Dec.

- Launched recruitment / hiring of SB 739 positions
- Initiated internal workgroups for adult foster homes and community-based care, which includes memory care
- Strategized rulemaking approach for bill implementation
- Began rule drafting
- First Implementation Table (October)

SB 739 implementation: Q1 and Q2 projects

Q1 2026

Jan. / Feb. / March

- Initiate Rules Advisory Committee (RAC) solicitation (February)
- Conduct initial RACs for permanent rulemaking (March – May)
- Adult foster homes may qualify for 2-year license
- Initiate regular APD Implementation Table cadence (February)
- Operationalize facility and Long-Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO) notifications and new timelines for lifting of restrictions concurrently, by end of March

Q2 2026

April / May / June

- **Temporary rules filed by end of Q2**
- Continue permanent rulemaking RACs for all three rulemaking groups (March-May)
 - Rulemaking 1: Adult foster home rule amendments
 - Rulemaking 2: Community-based care rule amendments
 - Rulemaking 3: Memory care community rule amendments

SB 739 implementation: Q3 and Q4 projects

Q3 2026

July / Aug. / Sept.

- Outreach to legislators for all three rulemaking groups
- Final review / process rule documents for all three rulemaking groups
- Final hearings/ filing for rulemaking groups (September-October)
- Temporary rules for all in place as of July 1

Q4 2026

Oct. / Nov. / Dec.

- Permanent rulemaking complete by end of Q4
- Rulemaking 1: Adult foster home rule amendments
- Rulemaking 2: Community-based care rule amendments
- Rulemaking 3: Memory care community rules
- SB 739 fully implemented by end of Q4

Administrative Rules related to SB 739 implementation

Rulemaking process and timelines



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Introduction: rules

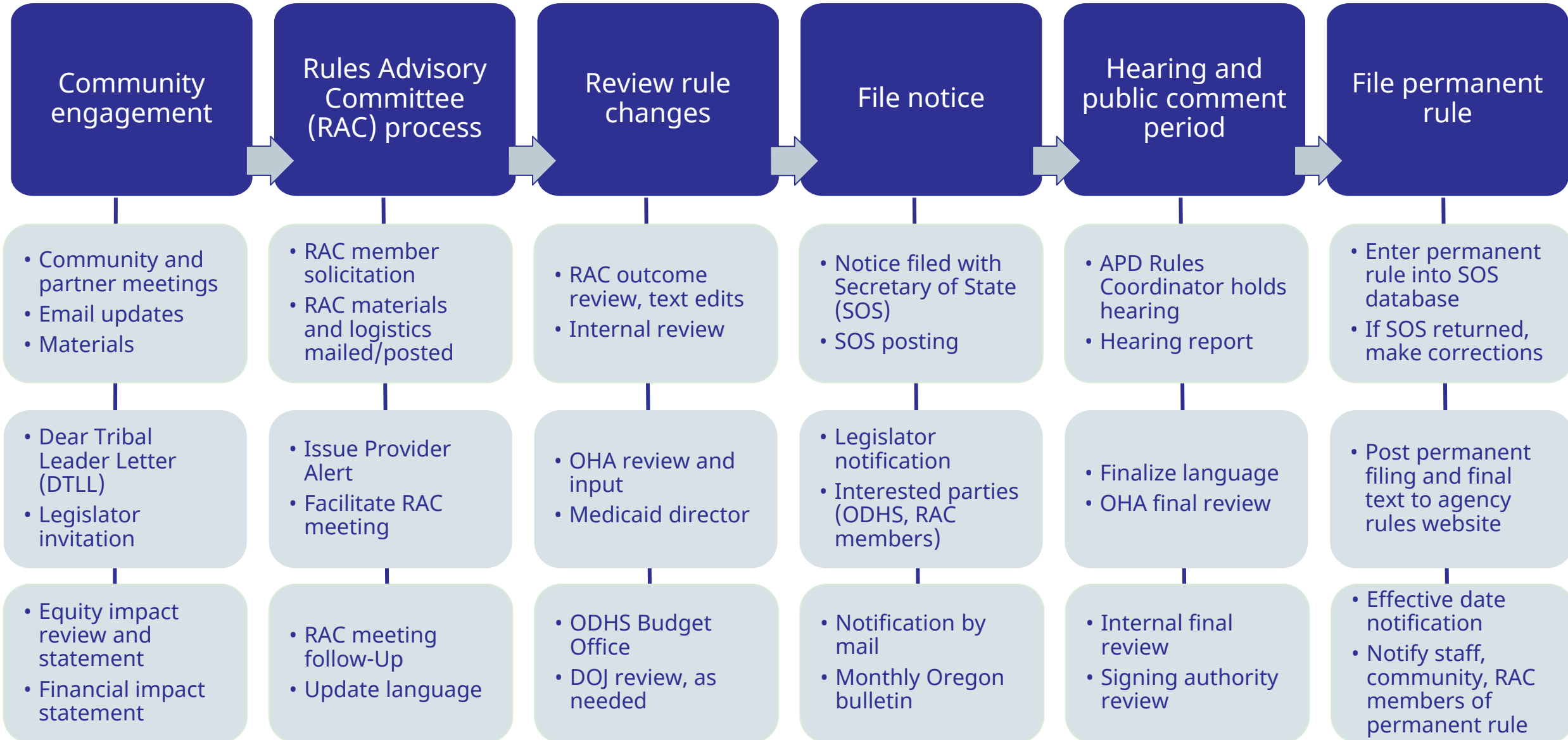
Why do we have rules?

- To interpret and implement federal and state statute
- Create consistent and transparent laws
- Describe our processes and program guidelines
- Hold agencies accountable and allow public input on agency laws

Why do rules change?

- Federal regulations and agencies
- Oregon Legislature and bills
- Agency or programmatic need
- External councils or partners

Permanent rulemaking process



Community engagement and equity statement

House Bill 2993 (2021):
Requires racial equity
statement and inclusive public
process



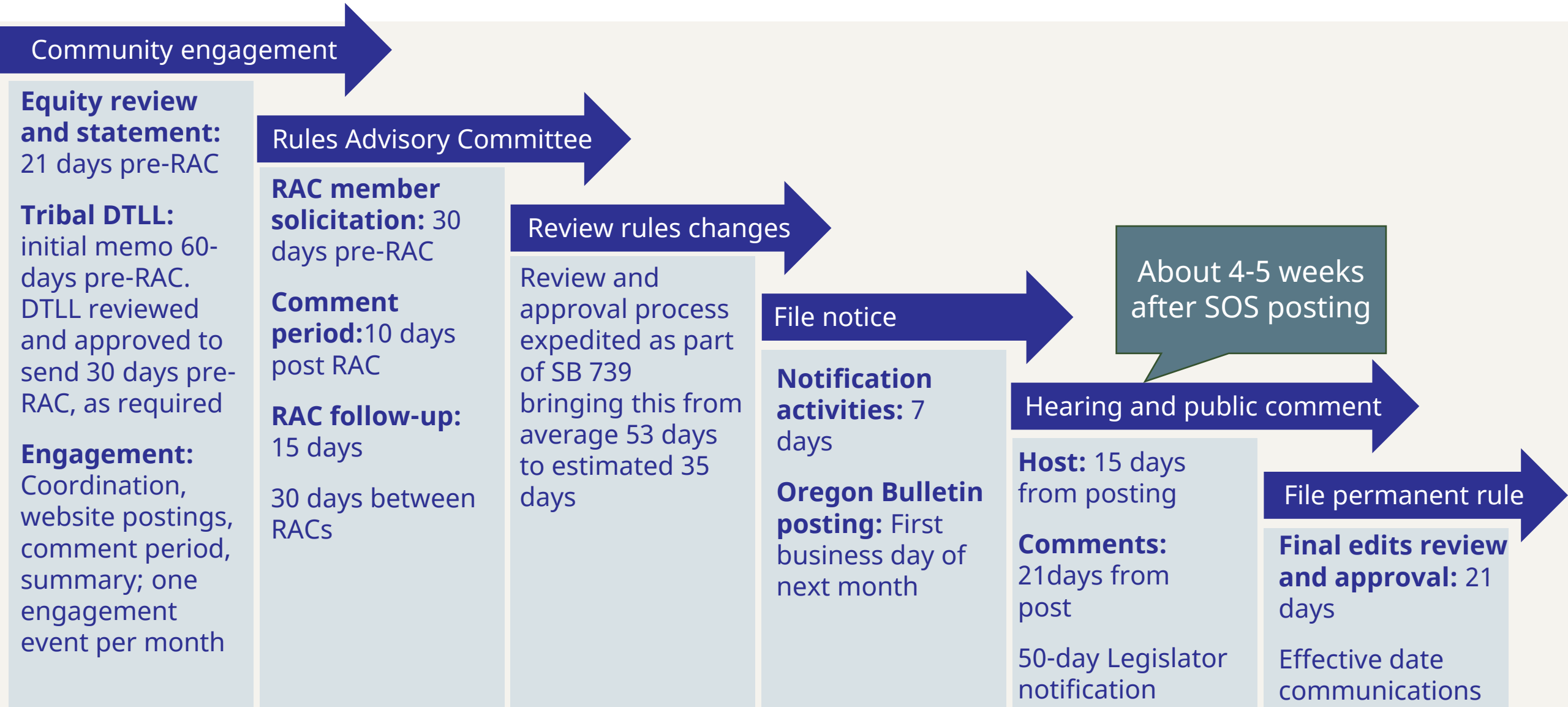
Inclusive Process:

- Represents the interests of those likely to be affected by the rule
- Include affected groups in the Rule Advisory Committee process
- Address these groups when writing the fiscal impact statement

Racial Equity Statement: [Equity Impact Statement: Guidance Tool](#)



Permanent rulemaking timeline



Administrative Rules related to SB 739 implementation

SB 739 specific timelines



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Senate Bill 739 Rulemaking Group 1: Adult foster homes

Description:

- Amends rules to streamline several processes related to safety in adult foster homes
- Requires the department to inspect new homes soon after they open to ensure they are meeting all regulatory requirements
- Allows homes that are operating well to renew their license every two years, instead of annually



Rule chapter and division(s):

- 411-049
- 411-050
- 411-051
- 411-052

Senate Bill 739 Rulemaking Group 2: Community-based care

Description:

- Streamlines processes for investigating alleged licensing violations in facilities
- Requires facilities to notify residents when the facility is cited for a substantiated violation
- Requires the department to inspect new facilities soon after they open to ensure they are meeting all regulatory requirements



Rule chapter and division:

411-054

Senate Bill 739 Rulemaking Group 3: Memory care community

Description:

- Amends rules to develop stronger standards for regulating memory care facilities
- Administrator dementia training requirements
- Emergency facility closure procedures
- Procedures for when a resident leaves a facility unnoticed (elopement)



Rule chapter and division:

411-057

SB 739 rules implementation calendar

Rulemaking Group 1: Adult foster homes

March 18: RAC 1

April 15: RAC 2

May – June: Internal review and temporary rules

July: Legislator outreach

August: Process documents

September: Secretary of State bulletin and final hearing

October: Final rule

November: Permanent rule

Rulemaking Group 2: Community-based care

March 25: RAC 1

April 22: RAC 2

May 20: RAC 3

June: Internal review and temporary rules

July: Internal review

August: Legislator outreach

September: Process documents

October: Secretary of State bulletin and final hearing

November: Final rule

December: Permanent rule

Rulemaking Group 3: Memory care

March: Drafting and review

April 1: RAC 1

April 29: RAC 2

May – June: Internal review and temporary rules

July: Legislator outreach

August: Process documents

September: Secretary of State bulletin and final hearing

October: Final rule

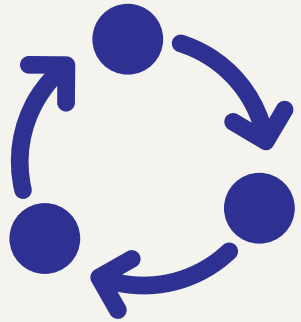
November: Permanent rule

How to get involved in SB 739 rulemaking



- Visit the [APD Community Engagement webpage](#) to see upcoming information sessions and opportunities to provide your input
- [SB 739 rulemaking group FAQs](#) and comment opportunity posted on the webpage
- Become a Rules Advisory Committee member or see upcoming RAC notifications and sessions on the APD [RAC webpage](#).
- If you would like to serve on a RAC or have questions about the process, please email us at apd.rules@odhs.oregon.gov.

SB 739 implementation: other actions



- Facility and LTCO notifications and new timelines for lifting of restrictions in place concurrently, by end of March 2026
 - Training hours to be hosted in March
 - Facility notification requirements in practice leading up to temporary rule effective date
- Prepare for temporary rules to be in place by July 1, 2026

2026 Implementation Table calendar



- Session 2: February 27 11 a.m.
- Session 3: April 2 10 a.m.
- Session 4: June 4 10 a.m.
- Session 5: August 6 10 a.m.
- Session 6: November 5 10 a.m.

All times are Pacific time zone

Wrap up and next steps

- Continue Tribal, community, and partner engagement
- Begin rulemaking
- Send questions to:
apd.directorsoffice@odhsoha.oregon.gov



Feedback



- Is there additional information you would like to see in future presentations?
- ODHS engagement opportunities: Agency Request Budget (ARB) process
- Information about APD ARB meetings will be shared soon

Thank you!



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