



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF
Human Services

April 2, 2026



Office of Aging and People with Disabilities (APD)

Senate Bill 739 implementation plan review and discussion

Agenda

1. Welcome, introductions, community agreements
2. Purpose statement
3. Senate Bill 739 implementation timeline
4. Rules Advisory Committee observations
5. Temporary rulemaking socialization
6. 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: Q1 and Q2 projects

Q1 2026

January / February / 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 / August / September

- 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

October / November / December

- 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

Rules Advisory Committee



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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

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 have a three-year history of substantial compliance to renew their license every two years, instead of annually



Rule chapter and division(s):

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

Rules Advisory Committee #1 Observations: Adult foster homes

Themes for continued consideration/explanation

- Scope of the "mid-cycle" inspections that would take place at the one-year mark for two-year licenses.
- Phone requirements in OAR

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

Rules Advisory Committee #1 Observations: Community-based care

Themes for continued consideration/explanation

- Keeping definitions in alignment with other agencies' ORSs
- Additional clarifications for Facility Notifications
- Request for all notification requirements to be in one section

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

Rules Advisory Committee #1: Memory care community

- Themes for continued consideration/explanation

Operationalizing Senate Bill 739

Temporary Rules Effective by July 1, 2026



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Operationalizing SB 739: Adult foster homes

What is being implemented?

- 90-120 day visits required for AFH licensed after July 1, 2026
- Policy guidance for renewals and mid-cycle inspections
- Technical assistance throughout 2026

**There is a recorded training on this requirement that is now available in Workday learning*

Operationalizing SB 739: Adult foster homes

What changes should providers prepare for between now and July 1st?

- New providers should expect a visit 90-120 days following licensure, even if they have other AFHs open
- As licensors begin to conduct renewals and providers are reviewed for two-year eligibility, providers will have to submit an additional bed fee for the second year

Operationalizing SB 739: Adult foster homes

What is the timeline for training of internal APD staff?

- May 2026 Licensor training on 90-120 day requirement
- June 2026 Licensor training on biennial renewal allowance
- Spring 2027 Licensor training on the mid-cycle process

Operationalizing SB 739: Adult foster homes

What is the anticipated date for Operationalizing Changes?

- 90-120 day reviews will begin effective July 1, 2026
- Biennial licensure will be active July 1, 2026
- Mid-cycle inspections will begin in summer 2027, as the first biennial licenses hit their one-year mark

Operationalizing SB 739: Community-based care

What is being implemented? Survey Plan

- Surveys are scheduled according to license renewal date (began January 2026)
- Scheduling prioritization included license renewals, CHOWs, and management of current backlog

**Surveys completed within three months of renewal date in 2025 are credited to avoid duplication and unnecessary use of resources*

Operationalizing SB 739: Community-based care

What is being implemented? Survey Plan - continued

- Prioritizing completing CHOWs between 90-120 days, as referenced in SB 739
- Weekly licensure and CHOW and survey event feedback loop initiated
- Provider Alert ODHS-26-008-CBC issued March 3, 2026

Operationalizing SB 739: Community-based care

What changes should providers prepare for between now and July 1?

- Survey events will align with the renewal licensure date
- Additional guidance and Training Hour session has reviewed survey events with providers

Operationalizing SB 739: Community-based care

What is the timeline for training of internal APD staff?

- The current team has been fully trained
- Training for newly hired surveyors is anticipated to require approximately nine months

Operationalizing SB 739: Community-based care

What is the anticipated date for operationalizing the changes?

- Renewal and CHOW survey activities began in January 2026
- Implementation of expanded operational capacity will continue as new surveyors are onboarded

Operationalizing SB 739 and SB 228: Memory care community

What is being implemented?

1. Safety and oversight for residents with dementia
2. Administrator knowledge of demential care operations
3. Family Councils
4. Dementia-supportive environment

Operationalizing SB 739: Memory care community

What changes should providers prepare for between now and July 1?

Policy updates or new policies:

- Safe wandering and prevention of unsafe elopement
- Egress control systems monitoring and testing
- Staff response when a resident leaves without staff awareness
- Admission and transfer decisions for individuals with dementia
- Continuity of care during emergency evacuation or closure
- Independent family councils

Operationalizing SB 739: Memory care community

What changes should providers prepare for between now and July 1?

Training and documentation updates:

- Required dementia care oversight topics for Administrators
- Elopement response
- Monitoring egress control systems
- Admission and reassessment decisions
- Supporting communication with family councils

Operationalizing SB 739: Memory care community

What changes should providers prepare for between now and July 1?

Environment Review:

- Updating policies
- Updating training content
- Confirming documentation practices

Operationalizing SB 739: Memory care community

What is the timeline for training internal APD staff?

May - June 2026

- Survey staff trainings on how to interpret rule changes
- Guidance on consistent expectations
- Clarification of documentation expectations

Operationalizing SB 739: Memory care community

What is the anticipated date for operationalizing the changes?

- April – May 2026
 - Development of training content, provider guidance, and FAQs
- May – June 2026
 - Written guidance provided to providers
 - Provider training hours
 - Provider alert

New Long-Term Care Website

Demonstration



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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
- Continue rulemaking
- Send questions to:
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Feedback



- Is there additional information you would like to see in future presentations?

Thank you!



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