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May 14, 2025

To: I/DD community members, Tribal partners and ODDS staff

From: Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)

Subject: Apply to be on the Children's Services Advisory Group

Hello,

ODDS seeks new members for the Children's Services Advisory Group (CSAG). The group works to ensure that Oregon's supports and services for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) are person-centered and accessible. You can read the group's vision statement on the application linked below.

What does CSAG do?

- Advises ODDS about children's services and supports. This includes the transition into adulthood
- Makes recommendations about policy, practice, communication and collaboration
- Shares information and resources

When does CSAG meet? What are the meetings like?

The group meets five times a year. The meetings are remote. Members can attend without traveling. The meetings are two hours long. They are on the first Wednesdays of January, March, May, September and November.

We want all members to feel welcome and safe. We provide free support for all to participate:

- American Sign Language
- Spanish interpreter
- Live captioning
- Other languages and supports as needed

Who can apply to join CSAG?

Anyone can apply. We want to hear from many points of view. We are especially looking for family members and community partners who represent children from:

- Underserved communities
- Communities that use languages other than English
- Rural communities

We hope to add about 10 or more new members. If you are interested, please apply.

How do I apply?

Fill out the application online. Click on the language that you use:

English | Español | اللغة العربية | Русский | 简体中文 | Soomaali | Tiếng Việt

If you need another language, email us at odds.engagement@odhsoha.oregon.gov. We will translate it for you.

What is the deadline?

The deadline is June 15, 2025.

What if I need help or more information?

Please contact us at odds.engagement@odhsoha.oregon.gov.

Thank you to all who apply. We value your time and commitment to our shared mission.

Sincerely,

Office of Developmental Disabilities Services

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