



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF  
**Human Services**

# **Welcome to the OPI-M Power Hour**

Feb. 25, 2026 - Starting at 2:05pm



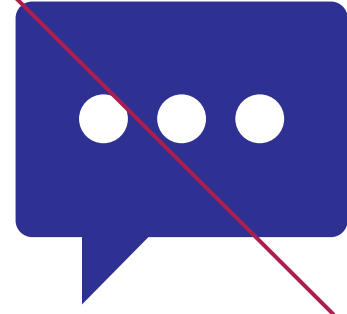
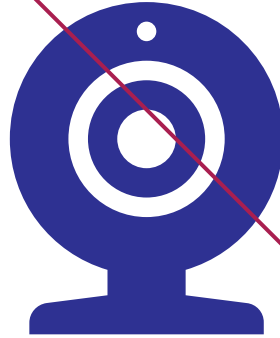
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# OPI-M Power Hour

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Use the Q&A feature  
for questions.

# Agenda

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1. Recent transmittal updates
2. Ancillary Updates
3. OPI-M Transportation
4. Q&A





**Brian Sexton**  
**Our new OPI-M policy analyst**

# APD-PT-26-002 The Work Number Changes for OPI-M

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**Target Audience:** AAA/APD/COFE staff who determine financial eligibility

**Action Needed:**

- Effective Feb. 14, 2026, the external The Work Number (TWN) website used to obtain employment and income data is no longer available.
- Employment verification must be completed through the ONE system or direct documentation.

# OPI-M Ancillary Updates

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Local office supervisor approval for assistive technology and special medical equipment and supplies is coming!

- Items must be \$500 or less
- Incontinence products must be 200 units or less
- Supervisors must review each request and submit their approval through an online form

Supervisor training is scheduled. Policy transmittal will be released shortly.

# OPI-M: Transportation Definitions

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From the Special Terms and Conditions (STC):

- Assisted Transportation (only in conjunction with the delivery of a service authorized for this specific program)
- Assisted Transportation means escort services that assists an individual who has physical or cognitive difficulties using regular vehicular transportation.
- Community Transportation which is non-medical transportation provided by a service provider with a Medicaid provider number and prior authorized.

# Transportation 101

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Assisted Transportation =

- ADL/IADL assistance provided by HCWs and IHCAs
- No mileage
- Time is included as part of the total approved hours
- Prior authorized on the service plan

Community Transportation =

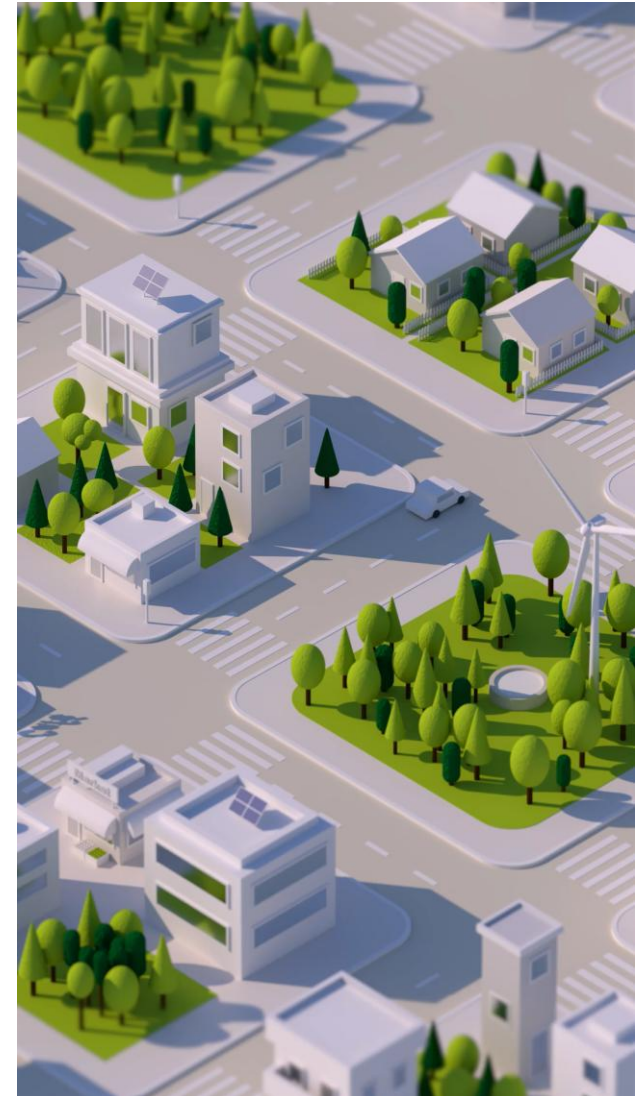
- Mileage for HCWs and IHCAs not to exceed 100 miles per pay period
- Contracted transportation providers not to exceed eight one-way rides per pay period

# Transportation in Action

**Assisted transportation** is always done by a HCW or IHCA and is included as an authorized task on the task list.

**Community transportation** is done by a HCW, IHCA or contracted provider.

- Mileage is included on the task list for HCW/IHCA.
- Authorized rides are included on the referral to the contracted provider.



# Contracted Transportation Providers

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- Clackamas County, Provider number: 099974
- City of Lebanon, Provider number: 099972
- Harney County, Provider number: 099976
- Lane Transit District, Provider number: 099978
- Multnomah County, Provider number: 099982\*
- Rogue Valley Transportation District, Provider number: 099980
- Union County, Provider number: 099983
- Washington County, Provider number: 099982\*

\*Services provided by Tri County Metro

# Transportation Common Example 1

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Mrs. A is authorized 32 hours a pay period and selects HCW1. Her PLAN indicates there is a need for ambulation while in the grocery store and pharmacy. She enjoys the outing and would like her HCW to take her to the store or pharmacy once a week. The nearest grocery store and pharmacy are a little less than 5 miles from her home.

**Assisted transportation** for HCW1 to escort Mrs. A to the store and assist with ambulation (ADL) and shopping (IADL). HCW1 claims time on OR PTC DCI out of the 32 authorized hours.

**Community transportation** is authorized for 20 miles a pay period.

Mileage is included on the task list.

5 miles x 2 = 10 miles round trip.

10 miles a week x 2 weeks in a pay period = 20 miles.

# Transportation Common Example 2

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Mr. B is authorized 40 hours a pay period and selects HCW2. His PLAN indicates that he would like to go to the senior center for congregate meals and a men's group each Wednesday. He does not need ADL or IADL care during the ride or at the senior center. He just needs his HCW to transport him there and back. The senior center is 8 miles from his home.

**Assisted transportation** is not an authorized service because there is no ADL/IADL need. HCW2 would not be authorized to claim time.

**Community transportation** is not authorized because there is no ADL/IADL need. HCW2 would not be authorized to claim mileage. Rides may be authorized through a contracted transportation provider if available.

# Transportation Common Example 3

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Ms. C is authorized 40 hours a pay period and selects IHCA1. Her PLAN indicates that she needs ADL/IADL care while she attends doctor appointments. This includes her caregiver transferring her in/out of the vehicle, pushing her in a manual wheelchair, transferring while in the exam room and incontinence care if it occurs while out.

**Assisted transportation** is authorized for IHCA1 to escort Ms. C to the medical appointment to assist with ADLs. IHCA claims time and submits in MMIS.

**Community transportation** is not authorized. Mileage cannot be allowed for medical appointments.

# Transportation Common Example 4

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Mr. D is authorized 20 hours a pay period and selects IHCA1. His PLAN indicates that he would like to go to the library and the local coffee shop for socialization. He lives in an area with a contracted transportation provider.

**Assisted transportation** is not an authorized service because there is no ADL/IADL need.

**Community transportation** is authorized for the contracted transportation provider. Authorized 8 one-way rides a pay period, entered into Oregon ACCESS under “Non-Medical Transportation”

# Questions and discussion



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