

Policy Transmittal Aging and People with Disabilities



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Issue date: 9/14/2023

Topic: Provider Information

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 DHS employees | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging: Types A and B | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services |
| <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify</i>): Comagine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children’s Residential Services | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs | |

Policy/rule title:	Continuing Education Requirements for Homecare Workers, Personal Support Workers, and Personal Care Attendants		
Policy/rule number(s):	OAR 418-020-0035	Release number:	
Effective date:	09/01/2023	Expiration date:	
References:	https://www.oregon.gov/odhs/rules-policy/ohccrules/418-020-perm-2023-08-25.pdf		
Web address:	https://www.carewellseiu503.org/training/		

Discussion/interpretation:

Homecare workers, personal support workers, and personal care attendants are required to complete 12 hours of continuing education training every 24 months. These training requirements align with the end-date of the provider’s approved to work credential.

OAR 418-020-0035 has been amended to change the continuing education implementation date from Sept. 1, 2023, to March 1, 2026. The implementation date

has been extended to develop a more robust catalogue of training options based on provider type and the specific needs of individuals receiving services and allow providers sufficient time to fulfill training requirements.

Carewell SEIU 503 Training launched continuing education courses online in April 2023. Providers who complete these courses between April 1, 2023, and March 1, 2026, will receive training credit when continuing education requirements are implemented March 1, 2026.

Providers will receive a stipend from Carewell SEIU 503 Training once they complete all 12 hours.

Providers are encouraged to begin taking continuing education courses now and can do so by logging into the [Carewell's learning portal](#).

Implementation/transition instructions:

None

Training/communication plan: None

Local/branch action required: Encourage providers to begin taking continuing education courses.

Central office action required: N/A

Field/stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by: APD, ODDS, and HSD Policy; APD Operations

Filing instructions:

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