

# Oregon Eligibility Partnership Transmittal

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**Subject/Topic:** Job Participation Incentive Suspension

## Primary Audience

Eligibility

Leadership

Family Coach

LTSS Case Management

Support

Other:

## Impacted areas

New/Updated Policy/Rule

Policy Clarification

Reference Materials

System(s), Specify

Other:

## Reference material(s)

Oregon Administrative Rule [461-135-1260](#)

## Summary

The Job Participation Incentive (JPI) program, which is a sub program of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, will be suspended effective January 31, 2026.

## Details

JPI is a separate state TANF program that has historically helped Oregon meet federal work participation rates (WPR) for TANF. The Fiscal Responsibility Act (FRA) of 2023 requires benefits like JPI to be a minimum of \$35 effective October 1, 2025, to count towards the state's WPR. The FRA also changed federal statute by changing the base year for caseload reduction credits. This change provides Oregon the ability to lower the state's WPR requirement. Due to this change in federal statute and budgetary constraints, the JPI program is being suspended January 31, 2026.

## ONE System

After the December build, Eligibility Determination and Benefit Calculation (EDBC) will no longer

approve JPI past January 31, 2026. On or near December 16, 2025 there will be a mass update to terminate all JPI cases. This will allow for timely notice and those with approved JPI will receive their January benefit of \$35.

On or near January 12, there will be a secondary mass update to ensure all JPI cases have been terminated following timely notice deadline.

JPI can be evaluated in December; in these situations JPI will be approved for two months (December and January). If JPI is evaluated in January and found to be eligible, ONE will produce a single month approval for January.

Although JPI cases will no longer be approved beyond January, there will be no changes to the Worker Portal screens. There is no need to enter information into the JPI section of income records as there will be no evaluation for JPI. Furthermore, override functionality will be disabled for JPI as well.

### **Resources**

The Oregon Programs Eligibility Notebook (OPEN) and other material will be updated to reflect the suspension of the JPI program.

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### **Questions?**

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