

1. Regional Executive Council Information

Council name: Douglas System of Care
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2. Description of the Barrier

Services and Supports-Access to caregivers for disabled children. Parents advocating for the option to be paid caregivers to their disabled children permanently, beyond the public health emergency.

3. Actions Taken to Address Barrier within the local SOC:

Summary of work and successes by the Practice Level Work Group:
PLWG is combined into the Advisory Committee in Douglas County. As legislation is being reviewed in October of 2022, Douglas SOC has voted to escalate this barrier now in attempt to secure crucial funding for support of paid caregivers for disabled children.

Summary of work and successes by the Advisory Council:
The Advisory Committee recommended elevating the barrier to the Executive Council. It was voted to take up the issue of supporting this advocacy at the SOC in September. Should the vote be in favor of support, it will then go to the Executive Council for approval.

Summary of work and successes by the Executive Council:
The Executive Council expediated a vote to elevate the barrier to the state. The council has requested that the parent who originally submitted the barrier present this barrier personally to the statewide committee. Each agency is reviewing the advocacy documents to determine if they will contribute a letter of support.



4. Request of Statewide SOC Steering Committee:

Where did the barrier originate?

- Child Welfare
- Juvenile Justice/OYA
- Education
- Behavioral Health
- Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Physical Health
- Youth advocacy org
- Family Advocacy org

Is this barrier specific to?

- A family
- A program
- Local SOC -unique within the county or neighboring counties
- Statewide impacting all regions of Oregon

Is this unmet need related to?

- Oregon Administrative Rules
- Policies (lacking or existing) of state agencies
- Related to a state funded service or program
- Related to disparities in accessing services and supports based on race, ethnicity, ability, gender, sexual orientation or languages spoken

What would a successful outcome look like?

Remove the restriction in Oregon law against parents being paid caregivers to their minor disabled children. Direct the Office of Developmental Disabilities Services to satisfy centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services requirements to allow child Medicaid recipients with in-home provider hours to select their biological or adoptive parents to fill those jobs.

Please send barriers to Statewide.SOC@odhsoha.oregon.gov . For single system barriers please send with “Single System Barrier” in the subject line.

