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**To:** Home health providers

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Subject: Electronic Visit Verification requirements for home health agencies postponed to Jan. 1, 2024

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) now plans to implement Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) requirements in Oregon by Jan. 1, 2024. This means OHA will **not** expect Medicaid home health agencies to perform EVV at home health visits starting Jan. 1, 2023, as shared in <u>previous communications</u>.

OHA has also chosen to implement EVV using the Provider Choice Model. With this decision, OHA:

- Expects agencies to contract with a vendor as their business solution to EVV, and share the required specifications with the vendor they choose.
- Will not provide an EVV solution for agencies. Instead, OHA will provide agencies with the required specifications to use in developing their own EVV solutions.

## Why is this happening?

This federal EVV requirement is a response to long-standing fraud, waste and abuse concerns for Medicaid Home Health services.

## What should you do?

No action is required at this time. To learn more about EVV requirements for home health providers, <u>please</u> <u>visit the federal Medicaid website</u>. Medicaid will communicate any additional information based on our efforts and communications with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

## **Questions?**

If you have any questions about EVV requirements for Home Health, please email the Medicaid Fee-for-Service Operations inbox at <a href="Medicaid.Programs@dhsoha.state.or.us">Medicaid.Programs@dhsoha.state.or.us</a>.