Document Title:	Family Connects Oregon Commercial Insurance Carrier Status Update November 2026
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Objective

To provide commercial insurance carriers (CICs) with a monthly standardized update about the latest developments in Family Connects Oregon (FCO).

Status Update

Commercial Insurance Carrier Calls

- The last Quarterly CIC call of 2026 will be **Tuesday, November 17 at 1:05pm** via Microsoft Teams. We will provide FCO site updates and discuss the Commercial Rate Committee (CRC) timeline.
- Calendar invites for the 2027 Quarterly Commercial Insurance Carrier Calls have gone out! Please reach out to oregon.uohv@odhsoha.oregon.gov if you have not received them. All calls are on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:05p in March, June, September and November 2027.

Self-Funded Plans and Member Notification Letters

- **Self-funded plan updates –** Our team is reaching out to self-funded health insurance plan brokers, third-party administrators (TPAs), and business associations to promote FCO services inclusion in employee benefit packages. If you have any additional contacts you think can support the goal of self-insured plans reimbursing for FCO services, please share here!
- **We are asking carriers to provide screenshots of their portal to help identify if a plan is self-funded**. Please redact any Protected Health Information (PHI). This will assist our sites with their claims follow up. You can send those screenshots to **oregon.uohv@odhsoha.oregon.gov.** Thank you for your support!
- **Member Notification Letters re: FCO services –** Thank you for sharing your member notification letters that your organization sends to members regarding FCO

services when an infant is added to an insurance plan**. If you have not yet shared yours, please do send to oregon.uohv@odhsoha.oregon.gov.**

Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) FCO Sites

Oregon was awarded Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) funds to improve and expand rural healthcare (see U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services announcement). The funding is in part dedicated to community-driven projects that focus on strong foundations for healthy families including expanding home visiting programs. Thus, funds are allocated to expanding FCO to 4 new counties and a Newborn Nurse Home Visiting Provider change in Lincoln County.

1) Tillamook
2) Wallowa
3) Clackamas
4) Harney
5) Linn to cover Lincoln

In partnership with OHA, the new sites started FCO planning on April 1, 2026. They will begin offering services by April 1, 2027. OHA will update commercial insurance carriers as launch dates are set.

FCO Site Updates

- **Harney County** launched FCO services on October 1, 2026.
- Beginning July 1, 2026, **Linn County** became the Newborn Nurse Home Visiting Provider for **Lincoln County FCO.** Carrier contracts will need to be updated to reflect this change in service provider.
- **Malheur County** discontinued providing FCO services on June 30, 2026.
- **Deschutes County** discontinued providing FCO services on June 30, 2026.

The 2025-2027 FCO Case Rate went into effect on July 1, 2025.

- The FCO case rate for commercial claims is **$1856**. The case rate for Pre-IHVs only is **$427.** In the case of families with multiple infants (e.g. twins, triplets), the case rate is **$297** per additional infant. Additional details can be found in the FCO Coding Guidance.

FCO Site Contacts – Updated to include all FCO Sites

This section provides carriers with up-to-date key contacts at every FCO site! Please remember that **FCO sites will reach out to you to initiate the contracting/credentialing process. Please respond to sites' outreach.**

FCO Provider	Name	Role	Email Address
Benton County Department of Health	New Program Administrator Pending	Program Administrator	pmcfh@bentoncountyor.gov
United Community Action Network (UCAN) *(serving Douglas County)*	Shawn Massingale	Program Administrator	shawn.massingale@ucancap.org
Jefferson County Public Health *(also covers Crook County)*	Beth Ann Beamer	Program Administrator	bethann.beamer@publichealth.jeffersoncountyor.gov
Jefferson County Public Health	Nita Dell	Billing Specialist	nita.odell@publichealth.jeffersoncountyor.gov.
Lane County Public Health	Brian K. Johnson	Program Administrator	brian.k.johnson@lanecountyor.gov
Linn County Department of Health Services *(also serving Lincoln County as of June 20, 2026)*	Monica Wiltse	Program Administrator	monicawiltse@linncountyhealth.org
Multnomah County Health Department	Veronica Ericksen	Program Administrator	veronica.l.ericksen@multco.us
Multnomah County Health Department	Beata Nizinski	Finance Specialist	beata.i.nizinski@multco.us

Polk County Health Department	Stacey Moran	Billing Supervisor	moran.stacey@co.polk.or.us
Washington County Public Health	Annalea Egging	Nursing Supervisor	annalea_egging@washingtoncountyor.gov
Washington County Public Health	Evan Weaver	Early Learning Co-Director	Evan_Weaver@washingtoncountyor.gov
Yamhill County Public Health	Bill Michielsen	Program Administrator	michielsenw@yamhillcounty.gov
Yamhill County Public Health	Layne Pendleton-Baker	Fiscal Manager	pendleton-bakerl@yamhillcounty.gov

This Month in History: Lewis and Clark Edition! I have been researching the Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery Expedition. The expedition started on May 14, 1804 from Camp Dubois in Wood River, Illinois and ended on September 23, 1806 in St. Louis, Missouri.

- **November 2, 1804 –** A location for their winter fortification is selected across the river from the main Mandan Village. They name their winter encampment Fort Mandan in honor of the nearby native village.
- **November 4, 1804 –** Toussaint Charbonneau, a French-Canadian fur trader living with the Mandans, is hired as an interpreter.
- **November 11, 1804** – Lewis and Clark meet Sacagawea, the young pregnant wife of Toussaint Charbonneau and signs on to the expedition as a Hidatsa interpreter. She gives birth to their son, Jean Baptiste, on February 11, 1805.
- **November 7, 1805 –** The Corps of Discovery think they have reached the Pacific Ocean. They actually reached Cape Disappointment and the Pacific Ocean is still 20 miles away.
- **November 15, 1805 –** The Corps of Discovery reach the Pacific Ocean at the mouth of the Columbia River … one year, six months and one day after departing St. Louis, Missouri.
- **November 24, 1805 –** The Corps of Discovery vote on the site for their winter encampment. Sacagawea, a native woman, and York, an enslaved black man, are also allowed to vote. Following the recommendation of local Native Americans, they choose Fort Clatsop, where they will remain until their departure on March 23, 1806. It will take

the Corps of Discovery exactly six months to make the return trip from Fort Clatsop, Oregon to St. Louis, Missouri. They covered roughly 8,000 miles.

For More Information

OHA Family Connects Oregon webpage: https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/healthypeoplefamilies/babies/homevisiting/pages/family-connects-oregon.aspx

Send us your questions and feedback via the Family Connects Oregon Question and Feedback Form

Contact us via email: oregon.uohv@odhsoha.oregon.gov