

Seniors and People with Disabilities

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Message: This transmittal announces the activation of the **ReBAR Project** web page at <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/dd/rebar/>.

The **ReBAR Project**, "Restructuring Budgets, Assessments and Rates," is a multi-year Federal System Transformation Grant to help Oregon develop and test a new system for funding of some 24-hour Comprehensive Services provided to individuals with developmental disabilities. Initial restructuring will occur for Adult Group Homes, Supported Living, and Employment and Community Inclusion services. Children's Group Home services will be included at a later date.

The Projects' goal is to replace the current 25-year-old "slot-based" funding system with one that is more flexible. The new system will be better able to match resources and change with individual needs. It must also support a statewide network of community providers. This new system will establish individual consumer budgets and standardize service rates for some 3,500 individuals with developmental disabilities. Implementation of the new system is targeted to begin in 2011.

This web page is part of an overall communication plan and designed to help all stakeholders get and stay informed and involved in this long term system change effort.

Information available on the web page now:

- o Contact Information including staff and stakeholder representatives working on this effort.
- o A Project Overview-sharing impacted services in the Developmental Disabilities system, project goals, timelines and accomplishments.
- o Project Activity sharing the work and outcomes related to Individual Budget and Assessment, Rate Setting, and Quality Management

In the future, the page will provide specific and targeted information and opportunities for feedback from each targeted stakeholder group.

Linking to and Using the ReBAR Web Page

There are a number of ways to link to it, including:

1. Direct Link at <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/dd/rebar/> put this in your "Favorites". You may also wish to "subscribe" so you will be informed when information is updated.
2. Go to the DD Home Page <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/dd/> and see REBAR Project in "Quick Links"
3. Go to the DHS Home Page <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/> and click on "Inside DHS" in the left menu. See ReBAR Project in "Issues and Initiatives".

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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