

Information Memorandum Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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Topic: Developmental Disabilities

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Subject: Resources to Assist Child and Adult Foster Home Providers in Accessing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging: {Select type} | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aging and People with Disabilities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self Sufficiency Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Intensive In Home Services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County DD program managers | <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify</i>): DD Licensing, Child and Adult Foster Home Providers, DD Foster Home Licensors and Certifiers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs | |

Message:

Oregon has recently seen COVID-19 cases in people without high-risk exposures (i.e., travel to affected regions or contact with known cases). Community-wide measures like hand hygiene and staying home when ill are essential to decrease further community spread. The CDC indicates that some people are at higher risk of getting very sick from this illness. This includes older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions like heart disease, diabetes, lung disease, and people who are immunocompromised. This policy direction is being implemented immediately to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to some of the most vulnerable community members in Oregon.

When the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is required in a Child or Adult Foster Home to safely provide services and prevent the spread of COVID-19, foster providers should work with their local county emergency managers to obtain PPEs.

Foster providers should use the link below to identify and contact the appropriate emergency manager in their respective counties.

https://www.oregon.gov/oem/Documents/locals_list.pdf

For guidance on when PPE is required, please refer to the [COVID-19 Scenarios Tool](#).

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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