



All program transmittal: June 20 – June 24, 2016

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Transmittal #	Issue date	Subject/Topic
<u>APD-PT-16-022</u>	6/20/16	Community Based, In-Home Contract & Nursing Facility Rates - Rates for Assisted Living Facilities, Residential Care Facilities, Memory Care Facilities, In-Home Care Agencies, and Nursing Facilities will increase effective July 1, 2016. See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-PT-16-016</u>	6/20/16	<p>Advance distribution of upcoming Self-Sufficiency and APD rule changes that will be effective 07-01-16, unless otherwise noted - <i>See transmittal for details; changes include but are not limited to:</i></p> <p>OAR <u>461-120-0330</u> about the requirement to pursue assets is being amended to align with federal policy regarding converting pension and retirement plans to monthly income if eligible; clarifies individuals must pursue monthly payments or distributions from a pension or retirement fund if eligible to do so,</p> <p>OAR <u>461-125-0370</u> about disability as the basis of need is being amended to change the eligibility criteria for a pilot project that allows clients to receive free assistance from the Department with Social Security disability applications and appeals. Additionally, the pilot is being expanded statewide.</p> <p>OAR <u>461-145-0360</u> about motor vehicles is being amended to clarify how to determine the fair market value of an automobile, truck, or van. Specifically, Kelley Blue Book and similar publications are added as authorities that may be used to determine the "average trade-in value".</p> <p>OAR <u>461-145-0380</u> about pension and retirement plans is being amended to state in the OSIP, OSIPM, and QMB-DW program, if the equity value of a plan is counted as a resource, payments received from the plan are considered the conversion of a recourse and are not counted as income.</p> <p>OAR <u>461-175-0200</u> about general notice requirements, OAR <u>461-175-0220</u> about notice requirements for disqualifications,</p>

		<p>and OAR 461-175-0340 about notice requirements involving voluntary client actions are being amended to state in the SNAP program, the Department sends a notice of termination when an individual signs an Intentional Program Violation (IPV) waiver of hearing rights.</p> <p>OAR 461-180-0135 about restoring benefits for ABAWD clients is being adopted to allow restoration of benefits to ABAWD clients in the month after they reach the time limit without reapplying in certain circumstances.</p> <p>Several rules are amended to reestablish the GA program to comply with HB 4042 (2016). See separate PDF attachment to see all rule changes. (Temp. Eff. 7-1-16)</p>
APD-PT-16-023	6/21/16	<p>State K Plan & Special needs - Effective immediately use the K State Plan (OAR Chapter 411 Division 35) for all home adaptations; stop using OAR 461-155-0551.</p> <p>Effective immediately use the K State Plan for community transition services authorized under OAR 461-155-0526 (Special Need; Community Transition Services; OSIP and OSIPM), if they can also be authorized under OAR 411-035-0070/0075/0080. See transmittal for details.</p>
APD-PT-16-024	6/21/16	<p>Burial Arrangements and Burial Funds - All prepaid irrevocable burial arrangements must include a contract for the goods and services funded by the prepayment. If the prepayment does not include a contract it funds there is a potentially disqualifying transfer which could impact Medicaid eligibility. Additionally, if the amount of the prepayment potentially disqualifying transfer.</p> <p>For life insurance funded burial arrangements where there is an irrevocable assignment the amount of the assignment is considered to be equal to the face value (FV) of the policy assigned. In determining the amount of the disqualifying transfer the value of the burial contract is compared to the cash surrender value (CSV) of the life insurance policy, not the FV of the policy. See transmittal for details.</p>
SS-AR-16-008	6/21/16	<p>Oregon Minimum Wage Increases - Senate Bill 1532 was passed during the 2016 Legislative Session provide higher wages for low-income Oregonians and improve the standard of living. The current minimum wage is \$9.25 per hour. SB</p>

		1532 creates a three schedule system of annual increases for July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2023, after which the minimum wage increase will be tied to the Consumer Price Index. See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-IM-16-034</u>	6/21/16	Provider resource and referral 211info Early Learning Division and Department of Human Services Parent/Provider flyer - Effective July 1, 2016: 211info will be the new resource to use when families are looking for a child care provider. See transmittal for details.
<u>APD-PT-16-025</u>	6/22/16	In-Home Live-in Services Ending for New Individuals - Due to the changes from the Department of Labor Fair Labor Standards Act, Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs) will be revised to end the live-in service program effective July 1, 2016 for new live-in service plans. Exceptions will not be granted to this policy change. When developing a service plan in Oregon ACCESS for individuals that do not have the option of live-in services, the hours must be reduced to 0 in the <i>Allowed Hours</i> column in the hours segment of the service plan. In-home service plan hours must be developed in accordance with the needs of the individual. See transmittal for details.
<u>APD-IM-16-053</u>	6/22/16	APD Hearings On-Line Training - DHS APD Hearings and APD Medicaid Long Term care have jointly prepared an Online Hearings training appropriate for all levels of staff. You may access the training in the DHS Learning Center. Locate the <i>Online APD Hearings Informational Training</i> by entering the key word "Hearing" or course #C05795. See transmittal for details.
<u>APD-PT-16-026</u>	6/23/16	General Assistance Program Implementation - See transmittal for details. Beginning July 1, 2016, APD/AAA consumers who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness <u>and</u> who allege severe physical and/or mental health conditions that will keep them from working for 12 months or will result in death can be referred to CDDU using the Disability Benefits Liaison (DBL)-General Assistance (GA) Referral Form(<u>DE 4640</u>). Staff should complete the referral form on the consumer's behalf and submit it to the DBL Referrals email address (see link on form). A consumer will be evaluated for the GA

		<p>program if the box stating <i>Customer is experiencing homelessness or is at risk of homelessness</i> is checked.</p> <p>If a homeless consumer is not an OSIPM-Presumptive Medicaid or MAGI recipient when the GA referral is made, the local office should provide the consumer with a 7210 to apply for MAGI benefits and ask them to return it to OHP Customer Service via the ACA Procedure document.</p>
APD-AR-16-045	6/24/16	<p>ISP Attachment - A new attachment to the Oregon ISP will be required effective July 1, 2016 at the time of ISP development for a new person entering services, and upon renewal of existing ISPs with a September ISP date. See transmittal for details.</p>
APD-IM-16-054	6/24/16	<p>General Assistance Program Implementation - Local APD/AAA staff can begin making GA referrals on July 1, 2016, by completing the DBL-GA Referral form (DE4640) on the consumer's behalf and submitting it to the DBL Referrals email address (see link on form). A consumer will be evaluated for the GA program if the box stating <i>Customer is experiencing homelessness or is at risk of homelessness</i> is checked. See transmittal for details.</p>
APD-IM-16-055	6/24/16	<p>Update to Worker Guides: Career Development Planning: Who is Required to Have a Career and Development Plan or Decision Not to Explore Employment and Career Development Planning & Decision Not to Explore Employment Implementation Guide - These two Worker Guides have been updated. The revision date is July 1, 2016. See transmittal for details.</p>
OHP IM 16-024	6/24/16	<p>July 1, 2016 changes for Oregon Health Plan fee-for-service behavioral health authorizations - Starting July 1, 2016, KEPRO (formerly known as APS Healthcare) will review all fee-for-service behavioral health authorizations submitted by type 33 (Mental Health) providers. See transmittal for details.</p>