



**All program transmittal:
September 12 – September 16, 2016**

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Transmittal #	Issue date	Subject/Topic
<u>APD-IM-16-083</u>	9/14/16	APD 287 form series updated on the Form Server - The APD 287 series Provider Payment Adjustment forms have all been revised on the Form Server. These forms are also on the Case Management Tools website on the Provider Payment Adjustments <u>page</u> . See transmittal for details and assistance opening the forms in browsers other than Internet Explorer.
<u>OHP IM 16-027</u>	9/15/16	OHP Plan Service Area Changes: ODS Dental open to new enrollment in select regions effective October 1, 2016 - Effective October 1, 2016, ODS Dental will open to new enrollment in the following regions: Benton (D190E), Clackamas (D195E), Crook (D140E), Jackson (D137E), Jefferson (D194E), Josephine (D191E), Marion (D133E), Multnomah (D141E), and Polk (D189E). Previous ODS Dental clients in those regions can re-enroll within 60 days.
<u>SS-PT-16-019</u>	9/15/16	Lower copays for families choosing star rated providers - Families on the Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) program can qualify for a lower copay when they choose to use a quality star rated child care provider. See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-PT-16-020</u>	9/15/16	Eligibility of Child Care Providers - The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014 requires the Early Learning Division and DHS to make health and safety changes for providers who are approved by DHS to provide child care but are not licensed with the Office of Child Care (OCC) of the Oregon Department of Education (ODE). See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-PT-16-021</u>	9/15/16	Work Schedule Requirements - Employer verification of work schedules will no longer be required for ERDC. See transmittal for details.

<u>SS-PT-16-022</u>	9/15/16	<p>Advance Copy of OSSP and APD rule changes be effective 10/01/16, unless otherwise noted – Please see transmittal for full details and a complete list of all rule changes. Below are some of the included changes.</p> <p>Rules throughout OAR chapter 461 are being amended to reestablish the GA program which provides cash assistance to individuals who have a disability, are experiencing homelessness, and meet other eligibility requirements in OAR 461-135-0700. Financial eligibility will be the same as OSIPM. Rule text can be viewed here.</p> <p>OAR 461-120-0030: state of residence for an individual in a medical facility is being amended to change criteria for determining the state of residence in OSIPM, QMB program, and the Refugee Medical (REFM) program to align with federal policy. It is also being amended to remove a reference to General Assistance Medical (GAM).</p> <p>OAR 461-130-0305, 461-130-0315, 461-130-0335, 461-135-0520, 461-175-0220, 461-190-0310, and 461-190-0360 are being amended to support the continued implementation of the federal three-month time limit on SNAP benefits. Effective January 1, 2016, the time limit applies to ABAWD residing in Multnomah or Washington County who are not otherwise exempt; this will expand to include Clackamas County effective January 1, 2017. These consumers must meet work requirements to continue to receive SNAP benefits beyond the three-month time limit.</p> <p>OAR 461-135-0010: assumed eligibility for medical programs is being amended to clarify in the OSIPM program, continuous eligibility for children can apply at initial eligibility and at redetermination. It is also being amended to state continuous eligibility does not apply if the child is eligible for any other Medicaid program providing OHP Plus benefits.</p> <p>OAR 461-145-0000: ABLE Act accounts is being adopted to comply with the ABLE Act of by excluding funds held in an ABLE Act account from eligibility determination for DHS assistance programs. Disbursements from such accounts are excluded as income so long as such payments are consistent</p>
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		<p>with the definition of Qualified Disability Expenses (QDEs) as outlined in the ABLE Act and SB 777.</p> <p>OAR 461-180-0040: effective dates for special or service needs is being amended to clarify eligibility for special needs and services is contingent on OSIPM and OHP Plus eligibility. Specifically, the rule is amended to state the effective date for a special need is either the date of request for the special need item or the effective date for OSIPM, whichever is later, and the effective date for long-term care is the date the Department authorizes the service plan, except the service plan may not be authorized prior to the effective date for the Medicaid OHP Plus benefit package.</p>
<u>SS-PT-16-023</u>	9/15/16	<p>SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) programs - As of October 1, 2016 participation in SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) programs is voluntary except for ABAWDs in non-waivered areas. There is no change in requirements of ABAWDs who live in non-waivered areas. See transmittal for details.</p>
<u>SS-PT-16-024</u>	9/15/16	<p>Office of Self Sufficiency Programs Family Services Manual Advance Copy including APD programs - Please see transmittal for full details and a complete list of all changes. Below are some of the included changes.</p> <p>Clarified income verification needed for all applications (not just for initial applications). (SNAP-b.6, 11)</p> <p>Link added for the USCIS Public Charge Fact Sheet. (SNAP-d.4)</p> <p>Change in the amount of support services (from \$25/month to \$100/month) a mandatory ABAWD may receive when residing in a non-waiver county was added. (SNAP-e.13)</p> <p>Language for example for special treatment of farm income clarified. (SNAP-g.17)</p> <p>Clarification made about extending the ABAWD certification period from four months to six or 12 months, with particular note on issue of extending from four months to 12 months, as a result of which the process must be done manually.(SNAP-e.26)</p>

<u>SS-IM-16-042</u>	9/15/16	How to Ensure TANF Participants Do Not Lose Their OHP While in JOBS Plus - See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-IM-16-043</u>	9/15/16	Military Tracking - DHS needs to report military participation for caretakers who are eligible for the ERDC program in order to maintain federal program funding. See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-IM-16-044</u>	9/15/16	Revision of ABAWD Questions and Answers located on Staff Tools – SNAP policy has merged the ABAWD questions and answers into one document and have posted that revised document on Staff Tools SNAP Desk Tools. See transmittal for details.
<u>SS-IM-16-045</u>	9/15/16	<p>“Heat and Eat” update, No Action Required - During September’s end of month (EOM) batch processing, the computer system will remove the LHP code from all cases. The FUA utility deduction will remain on those cases. When a worker goes to recertify a case, if it is coded with LHP do not make changes to the utility deduction.</p> <p>Cases without the LHP coding need to have the utility deduction coded based on the customer's actual situation(FUA, LUA, IUA, TUA, or 0) and then at the end of each month, based on OHCS H&E program criteria, households eligible for Heat and Eat (H&E) will automatically receive the LHP and FUA coding.</p> <p>Households can become eligible for the H&E program at any time during the certification period. See transmittal for details.</p>
<u>APD-AR-16-065</u>	9/16/16	New Employment Rate - Roll out and POC - With the implementation of new provider agency and provider organizations rates for employment, some adjustments will be needed in Plan of Care (POC) to ensure accurate billing. See transmittal for details.
<u>APD-AR-16-066</u>	9/16/16	Maintenance Job Coaching Rate Request - To implement new Job Coaching rates for provider agencies and organizations based on the rate study conducted by Burns and Associates, ODDS had to negotiate and implement policy regarding the Maintenance Job Coaching rate. To request the Maintenance Job Coaching rate the Services Coordinator or

		Personal Agent should authorize Maintenance Job Coaching in POC. See transmittal for details.
<u>APD-IM-16-084</u>	9/16/16	Oregon ACCESS Release 23.80: Friday, September 23, 2016 - See transmittal for all changes and details.
<u>APD-IM-16-085</u>	9/16/16	Facility Abuse Report Writing Training Fall 2016 - Enrollment is now open in <u>iLearn</u> for mandatory training for all APS Investigators and APS Supervisors. See transmittal for details.