

A large, faint, light-blue outline of the Oregon State Seal is visible in the background. It is a circular seal with "STATE OF OREGON" around the top and "1859" at the bottom. The center features an eagle with spread wings perched on a shield, which depicts a landscape with a sun rising over mountains, a river with a ship, and a plow.

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OPI Information and Updates

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Topics today will include:

- Transmittals
- PTC Transmittals
- Healthier Oregon and CWM
- 1115 Demonstration Waiver update

APD-IM-22-041 Oregon ACCESS Release 26.00 – Friday, May 13, 2022

- AAA Types: A & B
- No requirement for OA and Mainframe passwords to match
- Users still need to sign into Mainframe every 30 days to prevent your account from revoking
 - Type B: Contact your local RACF sub-administrator to reset
 - Type A: Submit a ticket OIS.ServiceDesk@dhsosha.state.or.us or APD.Security-Requests@dhsosha.state.or.us
- The “schoolhouse” training application will be released separately.
- The training environment will no longer mirror OA production functionality.

APD-IM-22-045 Oregon ACCESS Release

- AAA Type: A & B
- Following the OA release on May 13, 2022
 - Unable to open more than one service plan at the same time
 - User ID is auto-populating the wrong RACF ID.
 - Service plan modeling is not modeling the provider's name
 - Cases that were checked out during the release did not receive the update. If you had cases checked out, check them back in and request that OA be updated. For type B staff, contact your IT department. For type A staff, contact OIS.

APD-IM-22-036 Provider Time Capture Settlement Agreement

- AAA Types: A & B
- Local office impact:
 - A Homecare Worker (HCW) or Personal Care Attendant (PCA) who received a partial payment beginning August 1, 2021, and ending on March 12, 2022, shall receive a late pay penalty payment of \$150 per incident. Payments will not be subject to tax withholding.
 - This payment will be distributed on April 25, 2022. The payments will not be visible in the CEP system.
 - An explanation of this payment will be provided on the check stub. The explanation will include voucher number(s) to identify which pay periods the provider is receiving the payment for.
 - Email and text messages will also be sent out to providers to notify them of this payment.

APD-IM-22-039 PTC – Branch Transfers when OPI Consumers Apply for Title XIX Services

- AAA Types: A & B

NOTE: It is important that while the Medicaid Title XIX determination is being completed, the OPI branch staff are still able to view and maintain the Consumer's case in OR PTC DCI. Do not request a branch transfer in OR PTC DCI until **after** a determination is completed and the Consumer is approved for Medicaid Title XIX services.

OPI Consumer applying for Medicaid Title XIX services - APPROVED

1. Local office staff transfer Oregon Access case to AAA/APD branch and wait for determination to be completed (Do not request a transfer in OR PTC DCI at this time).
2. Determination complete and Consumer is eligible for Medicaid Title XIX services.
3. Local office staff determine the agreed upon start date for Medicaid services. OPI voucher specialist edits authorization end dates in Mainframe **and** in OR PTC DCI to reflect the last day the Consumer was on OPI to prevent overlap between OPI and Medicaid authorizations.
4. OPI staff confirm with Homecare Worker (HCW) that they have entered all historical time into OR PTC DCI for the period of time the Consumer was on OPI.
5. Send email to PTC.Support@dhsosha.state.or.us and cc the new branch, requesting an update to the cost center (branch) in OR PTC DCI. See transmittal for email template.
6. AAA/APD voucher specialist issues new vouchers for Consumer.

APD-IM-22-039 PTC – Branch Transfers when OPI Consumers Apply for Title XIX Services (continued)

OPI Consumer applying for Medicaid Title XIX services - DENIED

1. Local office staff transfer Oregon Access case to AAA/APD branch and wait for determination to be completed.
2. Determination complete and Consumer is ***not*** eligible for Medicaid Title XIX services.
3. Local office staff transfer Oregon Access case back to OPI branch.

NOTE: No action needs to be taken in OR PTC DCI in the scenario where the Consumer is denied for Title XIX and remains on OPI services.

APD-IM-22-040 PTC – Changes to Underpayment Request Spreadsheet

- AAA types: A & B
- Local office impact:
 - HCW voucher clerks
 - Underpayment request spreadsheet has been updated

APD-IM-22-042 PTC – Residence Address in OR PTC DCI

- AAA types: A & B
- In OR PTC DCI – the address field for consumers and providers is meant for the **residence address**.
- EVV requires that location is captured at clock in/out.
- The clock in/out location is based on the residence address what is recorded in OR PTC DCI.
- Mailing address should continue to be documented in other systems of record (Oregon ACCESS)

Healthier Oregon: CWM members

- Starting July 1, 2022, **people who are 19-25 or 55 and older** may be eligible for full Oregon Health Plan (OHP) benefits regardless of their immigration status.
- This is possible because of House Bill 3352 (2021) which put into law a program called Cover All People.
- The program is now known as “**Healthier Oregon.**”
- This change is an important next step in advancing health equity. Everyone in Oregon should have access to regular, preventive quality health care that supports their health and well-being.

Healthier Oregon: CWM members (continued)

- Starting May 16, 2022, the Oregon Health Authority will mail letters to approximately 12,000 current Citizenship-Waived Medical (CWM) and CWM Plus members ages 19-25 or 55 and older who will be moving to full OHP Plus benefits in July. The letters:
 - . Provide information about this change.
 - . Let members know to expect a phone call from OHP in June.
 - . Are translated into more than 30 languages.

1115 Demonstration Waiver Update

- The 1115 Demonstration Waiver needs to be approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- APD has no control over the approval timeline.
- APD is working closely with CMS to address their questions and concerns.

1115 Demonstration Waiver Fast Facts

- **Benefits:** The 1115 Waiver will provide in-home service benefits. It does not provide medical benefits (eg: Oregon Health Plan.) Individuals will not be eligible for services in licensed care settings.
- **Eligibility:** These programs have both financial and service eligibility criteria. Financial eligibility criteria are income at or below 400% Federal Poverty Level and assets at or below the cost of six months in a nursing facility. Service eligibility criteria are Service Priority Level (SPL) 1-18.
- **Estate recovery:** Unlike Medicaid long-term services and supports, the proposed Waiver requires no claims on the estate of the person who received services, or their family members. This aspect of Oregon's proposal is extremely important as estate recovery can perpetuate intergenerational poverty for individuals who receive Medicaid and will have a chilling effect on individuals seeking necessary supports. However, it is also the piece that seems to be causing CMS the most concern.

1115 Demonstration Waiver Fast Facts (continued)

- **Wait list:** There will be no wait list. Individuals on the current OPI waitlists will be referred to the OPIM program for an eligibility determination. We hope that with the combined OPI and OPIM programs that all individuals needing services will be able to receive them.
- **Financial eligibility determination:** APD will have a group of staff dedicated to assist with eligibility for 1115 Waiver programs. Some of the individuals will start in the ONE system and be denied due to being over income or resources. Other individuals may come directly through local APD and AAA offices. Staff in those offices will do financial eligibility using Oregon Access.

1115 Demonstration Waiver Fast Facts (continued)

- **Training:** Training is being developed and will be available to all staff who need to understand how the Waiver will work. In addition to the overview training, there will be training modules tailored for staff members' work function such as eligibility and case management work. Staff will take the training based on their assigned duties. We are planning that training will be available in June.
- **Warm hand-off:** APD and Type B AAA Case Managers will be determining eligibility for OPIM and FCAP. Once the individual is eligible, APD staff will transition the individual to the local Type A AAA for service planning, service authorization and ongoing case management. Type B AAAs will determine how they manage that transition within their own program. We are working on flow charts and other worker guides which will help define these expectations.



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General OPI Policy Questions

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