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411-345-0010 Statement of Purpose

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The purposes of the rules in OAR chapter 411, division 345 are to:

(1) Effectuate Oregon's Employment First policy, as described in the State of Oregon Executive Order No. 15-01 and OAR chapter 407, division 025, under which:

(a) The employment of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities in competitive integrated employment is the highest priority over unemployment, segregated employment, or other non-work day activities.

(b) For individuals who successfully achieve the goal of competitive integrated employment, future person-centered service planning focuses on maintaining employment, maximizing the number of hours an individual works, using the standard of obtaining at least 20 hours per week of work, consistent with the individual's preferences and interests, and considering additional career or advancement opportunities.

(c) Employment services are considered and provided on an individualized basis using a person-centered approach based on informed choice and consistent with the philosophy of self-determination.

(2) Prescribe service standards and requirements for providers of home and community-based services in settings where employment services are delivered. These rules incorporate the provisions for home and community-based services and settings and person-centered service planning set forth in OAR chapter 411, division 004 to ensure individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities receive services in settings that are integrated in and support the same degree of access to the greater community as people not receiving home and community-based services.

(3) Prescribe the standards and procedures by which the Department endorses a provider agency to deliver employment services.

(4) Prescribe service eligibility requirements for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities to receive employment services.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0020 Definitions and Acronyms for Employment Services

(Amended 01/01/2026)

In addition to the following definitions and acronyms, OAR 411-317-0000 includes general definitions for words and terms frequently used in OAR chapter 411, division 345. If a word or term is defined differently in OAR 411-317-0000, the definition in this rule applies.

(1) "Benefits Counseling" means the supports, training, and planning about an individual's benefits delivered as an activity of employment path services.

(2) "Career Development Plan (CDP)" is defined in OAR 407-025-0010 and described in OAR 407-025-0050 and OAR 411-345-0160.

(3) "CDDP" means "Community Developmental Disabilities Program" as defined in OAR 411-317-0000.

(4) "Competitive Integrated Employment" is defined in OAR 407-025-0010 consistent with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 705).

(5) "Customized Employment" means competitive integrated employment for an individual with a disability that is:

(a) Based on an individualized determination of the individual's strengths, needs, and interests; and

(b) Designed to meet the individual's specific abilities and the employer's business needs.

(6) "Discovery" is a time-limited, comprehensive, person-centered, and community-based employment planning support service to better inform an individual seeking an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting, create a Discovery Profile, and actively pursue competitive integrated employment.

(7) "Discovery Profile" is a comprehensive and person-centered report produced as an outcome of discovery, represents an individual, and provides information to better inform employment service planning and job development activities. The Discovery Profile includes:

(a) Information about the individual's strengths, interests, abilities, skills, experiences, and support needs.

(b) Information about conditions and employment settings for the individual's success.

(8) "Employment Path Services" mean services to provide learning and work experiences, including volunteer opportunities, for an individual to develop general, non-job-task-specific, strengths and skills that contribute to employability in an individualized job in a competitive integrated

employment setting in the general workforce. Employment path services may also include individualized benefits counseling.

(9) "Employment Professional" means an employee of a provider agency or an independent provider who has the qualifications and training to provide employment services under these rules.

(10) "Employment Services" mean the home and community-based services that support the primary objective of exploring, obtaining, maintaining, or advancing an individual in an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce.

(a) Employment services under these rules include the following:

(A) Supported employment.

(i) Individual supported employment.

(I) Job coaching.

(II) Job development.

(ii) Small group employment support.

(B) Discovery.

(C) Employment path services.

(D) Attendant care in competitive integrated employment settings.

(b) Employment services do not include:

(A) Vocational assessments in sheltered workshop settings or facility-based settings.

(B) New participants in sheltered workshop settings.

(11) "Endorsement" is defined in OAR 411-323-0020.

(12) "Evidence-Based Practices" means well-defined best practices, which have been demonstrated to be effective by multiple peer-reviewed research studies specific to the relevant population or subset of that population.

(13) "Executive Director" is defined in OAR 411-323-0020.

(14) "General Community Employer" means a typical community setting that:

(a) Employs a workforce that is reflective of the general population; and

(b) Is not a setting designed to hire or provide services for individuals with disabilities.

(15) "Individual Supported Employment" means job coaching or job development services to obtain, maintain, or advance in an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce, including customized employment or self-employment.

(16) "Integrated Employment Setting" is defined in OAR 407-025-0010 consistent with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 705).

(17) "ISP" means "Individual Support Plan" as defined in OAR 411-317-0000.

(18) "Job Coaching" means support for an individual to maintain or advance in an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce, including customized employment or self-employment.

(19) "Job Development" means support for an individual to obtain an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce, including customized employment or self-employment.

(20) "PRN" means the administration of medication to an individual on an 'as needed' basis (pro re nata).

(21) "Provider Agency" is defined as "Agency" in OAR 411-323-0020.

(22) "Sheltered Workshop" means a facility in which individuals with disabilities are congregated for the purpose of receiving employment services and performing work tasks for pay at the facility. The Department does not fund employment services in sheltered workshop settings in accordance with OAR 407-025-0020.

(a) A sheltered workshop primarily employs individuals with disabilities, including intellectual or developmental disabilities, with the exception of service support staff.

(b) A sheltered workshop is a fixed site that is owned, operated, or controlled by a provider agency and where an individual has few or no opportunities to interact with people who do not experience a disability, not including paid support staff.

(c) A sheltered workshop is not small group employment in an integrated employment setting and is not otherwise an integrated employment setting.

(23) "Small Group Employment Support" means services and training activities provided in regular business, industry, and community settings for groups of two to eight individuals with disabilities. Small group employment support is provided in a manner that promotes integration into the workplace and interaction in the workplace between individuals and people not experiencing a disability.

(24) "These Rules" mean the rules in OAR chapter 411, division 345.

(25) "Vocational Assessment" means an assessment administered to an individual to provide employment related information essential to the development of, or revision of, the individual's employment related planning documents.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.104, 427.154, 430.662

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 409.010, 427.007, 427.101, 427.104, 427.154, 430.610, 430.662

411-345-0025 Employment Service Requirements

(Amended 01/01/2026)

(1) Requirements for all employment services:

(a) The delivery of employment services provided under these rules presumes all individuals eligible for services can succeed in a job and career in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce and earn minimum wage or better.

(b) Employment is the preferred activity for individuals receiving services under these rules. Competitive integrated employment is the highest priority over unemployment, segregated or sheltered employment, small group employment support, or non-work day activities.

(c) Employment services must be individually planned based on person-centered planning principles. Consistent with the person-centered approach to these services, individuals accessing employment services under these rules must be encouraged, on an ongoing basis, to explore their interests, strengths, and abilities relating to employment or career advancement.

(d) All employment services have an optimal and expected outcome of:

(A) Sustained paid employment at the maximum number of hours, consistent with individual preferences, and work experience leading to further career development.

(B) Maximizing hours using the standard of working at least 20 hours per week.

(C) Competitive integrated employment for which an individual is compensated at or above minimum wage, with a goal of not less than the customary wage and level of benefits paid by the employer for the same or similar work performed by employees not experiencing a disability.

(e) A provider agency delivering employment services must be in full compliance with the requirements for home and community-based services and settings in OAR chapter 411, division 004.

(f) Employment services are provided under these rules in accordance with the State of Oregon Executive Order No. 15-01 and OAR chapter 407, division 025.

(g) Employment services provided under these rules must be in settings that meet requirements under federal, state, and local wage and hour laws.

(A) Effective July 1, 2023, employed individuals with disabilities must be paid for work at a rate that is equal to, or better than, the hourly minimum wage rate required in ORS 653.025, unless an exception applies for all employees without regard to disability.

(B) An employer may not rely on a special certificate issued under 29 U.S.C. section 214(c) to employ individuals with disabilities at a rate lower than the hourly minimum wage rate.

(h) Employment services must be evidence-based where evidence-based practices have been identified.

(i) Employment services must be provided:

(A) To eligible individuals under the authorization of an Individual Support Plan and Career Development Plan in accordance with OAR 411-345-0160 and 407-025-0010.

(B) In a non-residential setting unless an individual is operating a home-based business.

(C) In the most integrated employment setting appropriate to an individual's needs, and consistent with the individual's choice regarding services, providers, and goals.

(j) Employment services must be designed to:

(A) Increase an individual's independence, integration, and regular engagement in:

(i) Income producing work in competitive integrated employment, that is measured through improvements in the individual's income level, employment status, or job advancement; or

(ii) Work contributing to a household or community.

(B) Promote integration into the workforce and workplace.

(C) Promote interaction with people not experiencing a disability.

(D) Support successful employment outcomes consistent with personal and career goals.

(2) Employment services do not include any of the following:

(a) Services available to an individual under Vocational Rehabilitation and Other Services, 29 U.S.C. § 701-796l.

(b) Services available to an individual under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C §1400.

(c) Vocational assessments in a sheltered workshop.

(d) In accordance with OAR 407-025-0020, services used for support to work in a segregated or sheltered workshop setting. Schools may not fund mock sheltered workshops.

(3) Employment services may not occur in settings where a provider agency, or other person who supports or directs an individual's plan to obtain, maintain, or advance in competitive integrated employment, receives a personal benefit.

(4) Employment services include the following:

(a) INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - JOB COACHING.

(A) Job coaching includes support for:

- (i) Initial, ongoing, or maintenance support to maintain or advance an individual in an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce, including customized employment or self-employment;
- (ii) Maximizing hours using the standard of working at least 20 hours per week; and
- (iii) Maximizing pay, benefits, and other opportunities for career advancement.

(B) Personal care or attendant care provided as an incidental part of job coaching is considered a component part of the employment service.

(C) Job coaching does not include support in volunteer or unpaid work.

(D) Individuals utilizing job coaching must be compensated at a rate that is not less than:

- (i) The higher of the rate specified in federal, state, or local minimum wage law; and
- (ii) The customary rate and benefits paid by an employer for the same or similar work performed by other employees who do not experience a disability, who are similarly situated in similar occupations by the same employer, and who have similar training, experience, and skills.

(E) Direct and indirect job coaching support must be provided, at minimum, for the number of hours identified in an Individual

Support Plan or Service Agreement. Job coaching contact requirements must be met.

(F) Transportation provided within the course of job coaching is a component part of the employment service.

(G) Implementation strategies for job coaching must include strategies to support the individual to be more independent in the workplace and provider fading from the workplace.

(b) INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - JOB COACHING FOR SELF-EMPLOYMENT. In addition to the requirements outlined in subsection (a) of this section:

(A) Job coaching for self-employment includes support for ongoing assistance, counseling, and guidance after a job or business has been launched and after successful closure of a plan for services through Vocational Rehabilitation.

(B) The individual must perform an essential function of the job or business.

(C) Support to maintain self-employment may not be provided to defray the primary operational expenses of a business.

(D) The self-employment must yield an income that is comparable to the income received by other people who do not experience a disability, who are self-employed in similar occupations or in similar tasks, and who have similar training, experience, and skills.

(E) Evidence of self-employment must be documented and reviewed by an individual's case manager on an annual basis. Documentation may include, but is not limited to, business filings with the Secretary of State, tax records submitted to the Internal Revenue Service, and an annual business plan.

(F) Department approval is required.

(c) INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - JOB DEVELOPMENT.

(A) Job development includes support for an individual to obtain an individualized job in a competitive integrated employment setting in the general workforce, including customized employment or self-employment.

(B) Personal care or attendant care provided as an incidental part of job development is considered a component part of the employment service.

(C) The job developed must provide compensation at a rate that is not less than:

(i) The higher of the rate specified in federal, state, or local minimum wage law; and

(ii) The customary rate and benefits paid by an employer for the same or similar work performed by other employees who do not experience a disability, who are similarly situated in similar occupations by the same employer, and who have similar training, experience, and skills.

(D) The job developed must meet criteria established in a Career Development Plan or Individual Plan for Employment (IPE) including, but not limited to, criteria regarding the number of hours the individual will work in the job.

(i) The Career Development Plan must document either a goal or discussion regarding opportunities for maximizing work hours and other career advancement opportunities. The recommended standard for planning job coaching and job development is the opportunity to work at least 20 hours per week.

(ii) Individualized planning must ultimately be based on person-centered planning principles, including individual choice, preferences, and circumstances, and recognize that

some individuals may choose to pursue working full time, part time, or another goal identified by the individual.

(E) Job development may be authorized in the limited circumstances where the service is not available through Vocational Rehabilitation, and the Department has approved authorization.

(F) Transportation provided within the course of job development is a component part of the employment service.

(d) SMALL GROUP EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT - Services and training activities in regular business, industry, and community settings.

(A) Small group employment support:

(i) May be provided in groups of two to eight individuals.

(ii) Must be provided in a manner that promotes integration into the workplace and interaction with people who do not experience a disability in those workplaces.

(B) Small group employment support does not include:

(i) Vocational services delivered in a provider owned, operated, or controlled setting, or a facility-based work setting.

(ii) Support in volunteer or unpaid work.

(C) Individuals utilizing small group employment support must be compensated at a rate that is not less than:

(i) The higher of the rate specified in federal, state, or local minimum wage law; and

(ii) The customary rate and benefits paid by the employer for the same or similar work performed by other employees who do not experience a disability, who are similarly

situated in similar occupations by the same employer, and who have similar training, experience, and skills.

(D) Personal care or attendant care provided as an incidental part of small group employment support is considered a component part of the employment service.

(E) Transportation provided within the course of small group employment support is a component part of the employment service.

(e) DISCOVERY - A comprehensive and person-centered employment planning support service to better inform an individual seeking competitive integrated employment in the general workforce and develop a Discovery Profile.

(A) Discovery must include:

(i) A series of individualized work or volunteer related activities, completed in integrated employment settings, to inform an individual and their job developer about the individual's strengths, interests, abilities, skills, experiences, and support needs.

(ii) Analyzing detailed information from an individual's novel and past experiences in order to identify conditions or integrated employment settings for the individual's success.

(B) To identify transferable skills and job or career interests, discovery may include job and task analysis activities, assessment for use of assistive technology, job shadowing, informational interviewing, employment preparation, resume development, and volunteerism.

(C) Discovery must be completed within a three-month period. A three-month extension may be authorized if an individual and the individual's case manager determines there is a legitimate

reason. Legitimate reasons may include, but are not limited to, any of the following:

- (i) The individual had a medical event that delayed completing discovery.
- (ii) A medical event significantly changed the individual's strengths, interests, and abilities.
- (iii) An opportunity to participate in particular work trials or volunteer positions may only be scheduled outside of the three-month period.

(D) Discovery must have an outcome of a Discovery Profile. The Discovery Profile must meet requirements established by the Department.

(E) Discovery most often results in a referral to vocational rehabilitation services.

(F) Personal care or attendant care provided as an incidental part of discovery is considered a component part of the employment service.

(G) Transportation provided within the course of discovery is a component part of the employment service.

(f) EMPLOYMENT PATH SERVICES.

(A) Employment path services include:

- (i) Support to obtain experience and develop general skills that contribute to an individual's employability in competitive integrated employment settings in the general workforce.
- (ii) Training and support to an individual to obtain competitive integrated employment.

(B) Employment path services may also include individualized benefits counseling.

(C) Employment path services must be for the benefit of an individual and may not occur in settings where a provider, or other person who supports or directs an individual's plan to obtain competitive integrated employment, receives a personal benefit.

(D) Personal care or attendant care provided as an incidental part of employment path services is considered a component part of the employment service.

(E) Producing goods or services may be incidental to employment path services but the primary purpose must be to develop general employment skills that may be used in an individual integrated job.

(F) Employment path services provided under these rules must be in integrated employment settings that meet requirements under federal, state, and local wage and hour laws.

(i) Employed individuals with disabilities must be paid for work at a rate that is equal to minimum wage or better, unless an exception applies for all individuals without regard to disability.

(ii) An employer may not rely on a special certificate issued under 29 U.S.C. 214(c) to employ individuals with disabilities at a rate lower than the hourly minimum wage rate.

(G) Employment path services are time-limited based on an individual's Individual Support Plan. These services are expected to occur over a defined period of time with specific outcomes to be achieved, as determined by the individual and the individual's service and supports planning team through an ongoing person-centered planning process.

(i) Prior to beginning employment path services, measurable goals must be outlined in an individual's Career Development Plan that support the intended outcomes of employment path services.

(ii) The measurable goals must include a timeline for achieving the goals as well as the frequency and duration for which progress towards achieving the goals are monitored by the individual's case manager during service monitoring as outlined in OAR chapter 411, division 415.

(H) Employment path services require that an individual have an employment-related goal in their Individual Support Plan. The employment goal must be related to obtaining, maintaining, or advancing in competitive integrated employment, or, at minimum, exploring competitive integrated employment. General habilitation activities accessed through employment path services must be designed to support such employment goals.

(I) Employment path services that occur at a provider site or facility must be used in combination with a service component that is in a non-disability specific setting in the general community and away from the provider site.

(J) Transportation provided within the course of employment path services is a component part of the employment service.

(K) Consistent with setting requirements for home and community-based services, employment path services must be provided in an integrated setting that supports an individual's full access to the community and where individuals using these services gain experience working with the general public to the same or a similar degree as people who do not experience a disability and do not use home and community-based services.

(L) Employment path services are a facility-based service if delivered at a fixed site where a supported individual has few or no opportunities to interact with people who do not experience a disability except for paid staff.

(M) No service may be authorized in a sheltered workshop.

(g) SOLO EMPLOYMENT PATH SERVICES. In addition to the requirements for employment path services described in subsection (f) of this rule, solo employment path services:

(A) Include time limited support to participate in community work experiences, such as internships, volunteer, or other time limited work experience, job shadowing, informational interviews, and resume building. The specific community work experiences must be described in an Individual Support Plan.

(B) Must be delivered:

(i) One on one and not in a group setting.

(ii) In a general community business setting and not at a provider site.

(h) ON THE JOB ATTENDANT CARE AND ATTENDANT CARE IN COMPETITIVE INTEGRATED EMPLOYMENT SETTINGS. On the job attendant care and attendant care in competitive integrated employment settings includes assistance with activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, and health-related tasks through hands-on assistance, supervision, cueing, and the provision of behavior supports as needed to support an individual in competitive integrated employment when a job coach is not present.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.104, 427.154, 430.662

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411-345-0027 Eligibility for Employment Services

(Amended 01/01/2026)

(1) An individual may not be denied employment services or otherwise discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, age, disability, source of income, duration of Oregon residence, or other protected classes under federal and Oregon Civil Rights laws.

(2) To be eligible for employment services, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:

(a) Be an Oregon resident who meets the residency requirements in OAR 461-120-0010.

(b) Be determined eligible for developmental disabilities services by the Community Developmental Disability Program of the county of origin as described in OAR 411-320-0080.

(c) Meet the Level of Care as defined in OAR 411-317-0000.

(d) Be receiving:

(A) A Medicaid Title XIX benefit package through Oregon Supplemental Income Program-Medical (OSIPM) or Health Systems Division medical programs; or

(B) A benefit package through Healthier Oregon.

(e) Have services under these rules authorized in an Individual Support Plan by a case management entity.

(A) The Individual Support Plan must have an employment related goal as outlined in these rules and the case management rules in OAR chapter 411, division 415.

(B) An employment related goal means a goal related to obtaining, maintaining, or advancing in competitive integrated

employment, or, at minimum, exploring competitive integrated employment.

(3) DEPARTMENT APPROVAL.

(a) Job coaching and job development for individuals under the age of 16 must be approved by the Department.

(b) All other employment services for individuals under the age of 18 must be approved by the Department.

(c) The provider agency or independent provider must retain documentation of the Department's approval.

(4) An individual receiving medical benefits under OAR chapter 410, division 200 requesting Medicaid coverage for services in a nonstandard living arrangement (see OAR 461-001-0000) is subject to the requirements of the rules regarding transfer of assets (see OAR 461-140-0210 through 461-140-0300) in the same manner as if the individual was requesting these services under OSIPM.

(a) This includes, but is not limited to, any of the following assets:

(A) An annuity evaluated according to OAR 461-145-0022.

(B) A transfer of property when an individual retains a life estate evaluated according to OAR 461-145-0310.

(C) A loan evaluated according to OAR 461-145-0330.

(D) An irrevocable trust evaluated according to OAR 461-145-0540.

(b) When an individual is considered ineligible due to a disqualifying transfer of assets, the individual must receive a notice meeting the requirements of OAR 461-175-0310 in the same manner as if the individual was requesting services under OSIPM.

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411-345-0030 Employment Provider Qualifications and Training Requirements

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(1) EMPLOYMENT PROVIDER TYPES. A qualified provider of employment services must be one of the following:

(a) A provider agency certified and endorsed in accordance with OAR chapter 411, division 323.

(b) A qualified independent provider.

(A) An independent provider who is employed by an individual may only provide job coaching.

(B) An independent provider who is an independent contractor may only provide job development and discovery.

(2) EMPLOYMENT PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS.

(a) A provider agency or independent provider of employment services must:

(A) Complete the provider enrollment requirements in accordance with OAR chapter 411, division 370.

(B) Obtain a Medicaid Performing Provider Number in accordance with OAR chapter 411, division 370.

(C) Have a job description or Service Agreement with clearly stated job responsibilities, service requirements, service outcomes, and duties specific to the provider's area of specialization. The job description or Service Agreement must be current, signed, and dated by the provider.

(b) CREDENTIALING.

(A) A provider agency must have at least one employee in a supervisory position who has Department-approved credentialing.

(B) An independent provider who is an independent contractor must have Department-approved credentialing.

(3) JOB DEVELOPMENT. A provider of job development support must be qualified as a vendor through Vocational Rehabilitation and hold a current contract for Vocational Rehabilitation job placement services.

(4) DISCOVERY. A provider of discovery support must meet the following requirements:

(a) Be qualified as a vendor through Vocational Rehabilitation and hold a current contract for Vocational Rehabilitation job placement services.

(b) Satisfy Department-approved training requirements for discovery prior to delivering discovery support.

(5) BENEFITS COUNSELING.

(a) An employment professional delivering benefits counseling as part of employment path services must meet the following requirements:

(A) Be employed by a provider agency certified and endorsed to deliver employment services.

(B) Be certified as a benefits counselor by completing a Department-approved certification program and completing the annual training required to maintain certification.

(C) Complete the Department-approved online core competencies for supported employment professionals within one year of employment.

(b) Documentation of certification and training must be maintained in the benefit counselor's personnel file. The case manager must verify the benefits counselor has Department-approved certification.

(6) EMPLOYMENT PROFESSIONALS.

(a) An employment professional must possess and demonstrate all of the following qualifications:

(A) Knowledge of developmental disabilities services.

(B) Knowledge of best practice methodologies regarding employment services.

(C) Knowledge of the rules governing employment services.

(D) Ability to provide services designed to support successful employment outcomes consistent with individualized career goals, including goals identified in an individual's Individual Support Plan and Career Development Plan.

(E) Ability to support individuals to maintain and be successful in employment.

(F) Demonstrate by background, education, references, skills, and abilities, the employment professional is capable of safely and adequately performing the tasks to support an individual's Service Agreement or Individual Support Plan and Career Development Plan including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(i) Ability and sufficient education to follow oral and written instructions and keep any records required.

(ii) Responsibility, maturity, and reputable character exercising sound judgment.

(iii) Ability to communicate with the individual.

(iv) Training of a nature and type sufficient to ensure the employment professional has knowledge of emergency procedures specific to the individual receiving services.

(b) An employment professional must self-report any potentially disqualifying crimes under OAR 407-007-0281 and potentially disqualifying conditions under OAR 407-007-0290 to the Department, or the designee of the Department, within 24 hours.

(c) SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT TRAINING.

(A) An employment professional must complete the following supported employment training:

(i) At least one Department-approved competency-based supported employment training:

(I) Within 90 calendar days from the date of employment (for benefits counselors, this requirement is satisfied through the credentialing); or

(II) For independent providers, before enrollment.

(ii) The Department-approved online core competencies for supported employment professionals:

(I) Within one year from the date of employment; or

(II) For independent providers, before enrollment.

(iii) Twenty-four hours of Department-approved supported employment training every two years based on the calendar year. This supported employment training satisfies the requirement for 12 hours of job-related training required annually in OAR 411-323-0050.

(iv) Employment professionals must complete a Department-approved training for Discovery prior to delivering Discovery services.

(B) Documentation showing an employment professional has completed the training requirements must be maintained in the employment professional's personnel file and provided to an individual's case manager at, or prior to, the individual's annual Individual Support Plan meeting.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.104, 427.154, 430.662

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 409.010, 427.007, 427.101, 427.104, 427.154, 430.610, 430.662

411-345-0035 Standards for Provider Agencies Delivering Employment Services

(Amended 01/01/2026)

(1) CERTIFICATION AND ENDORSEMENT. A provider agency delivering employment services must meet the qualification and training requirements in OAR 411-345-0030.

(2) INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS. A provider agency must allow inspections and investigations in accordance with OAR 411-323-0040.

(3) MANAGEMENT AND PERSONNEL PRACTICES. A provider agency must comply with the management and personnel practices in OAR 411-323-0050.

(4) PRE-SERVICE TRAINING. A provider agency must maintain written documentation of six hours of pre-service training prior to staff supporting individuals that includes mandatory abuse reporting, Individual Support Plans, and Service Agreements.

(5) CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS. A provider agency must ensure the confidentiality of individuals' records in accordance with OAR 411-323-0060.

(6) DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS. Unless stated otherwise, all entries required by these rules must comply with the provider agency documentation requirements in OAR 411-323-0060.

(7) ABUSE AND INCIDENT HANDLING AND REPORTING. Complaints of abuse and the occurrence of serious incidents must be treated in accordance with OAR 411-323-0063.

(8) SERVICE RECORD. A provider agency must maintain a current service record for each individual receiving services. The individual's service record must include all of the following:

- (a) The individual's name, current home address, and home phone number.

- (b) The individual's Career Development Plan as well as their current Individual Support Plan or written Service Agreement.

- (c) Contact information for the individual's legal or designated representative (as applicable) and any other people designated by the individual to be contacted in case of incident or emergency.

- (d) Contact information for the case management entity assisting the individual to obtain services.

- (e) Records of service provided, including type of services, dates, hours, and staff involved.

- (f) Records describing medication taken by the individual that emergency medical personnel must be aware of in the event of an emergency.

(9) SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PLANNING. A provider agency that owns or leases a site and regularly has individuals present and receiving services at the site must meet all of the following minimum requirements:

- (a) A written emergency plan must be developed and implemented and must include instructions for staff and volunteers in the event of

fire, explosion, accident, or other emergency, including evacuation of individuals receiving services. Applicable parts of the emergency plan must coordinate with each applicable residential provider or other emergency contacts to address the possibility of an emergency or disaster during work hours. Staff must be trained on the emergency plan and how to coordinate with other providers or emergency contacts.

(b) Posting of emergency information including, but not limited to, posting the following telephone numbers by designated telephones:

(A) Local fire, police department, and ambulance service, or "911".

(B) The executive director of the provider agency and other people to be contacted in case of emergency.

(c) A documented safety review must be conducted quarterly to ensure the service site is free of hazards. Safety review reports must be kept in a central location by a provider agency for three years.

(d) When an individual begins receiving services at a provider owned or controlled service site, a provider agency must deliver training to the individual to leave the site in response to an alarm or other emergency signal and to cooperate with assistance to exit the site.

(e) EVACUATION DRILLS. A provider agency must conduct an unannounced evacuation drill each quarter when individuals are present.

(A) Exit routes must vary based on the location of a simulated fire.

(B) An individual failing to evacuate the service site unassisted within three minutes must be:

(i) Provided specialized training or support in evacuation procedures; and

(ii) Documented in the individual's safety plan.

(C) Written documentation must be made at the time of the drill and kept by the provider agency for at least two years following the drill. The written documentation must include all of the following:

(i) The date and time of the drill.

(ii) The location of the simulated fire.

(iii) The last names of all individuals and staff present at the time of the drill.

(iv) The amount of time required by each individual to evacuate if the individual needs more than the established time limit.

(v) The signature of the staff conducting the drill.

(D) In sites delivering services to individuals who are medically fragile or have severe physical limitations, requirements of evacuation drill conduct may be modified. The modified plan must be submitted as a variance request according to OAR 411-345-0090.

(f) A provider agency must provide necessary adaptations to ensure fire safety for sensory and physically impaired individuals.

(10) HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTIONS. At least once every five years, a provider agency must conduct a health and safety inspection for all provider owned or controlled settings where services are delivered.

(a) The inspection must cover all areas and buildings where services are delivered to individuals, including administrative offices and storage areas.

(b) The inspection must be performed by:

- (A) The Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division;
- (B) A provider agency's worker's compensation insurance carrier;
- (C) An appropriate expert, such as a licensed safety engineer or consultant as approved by the Department; or
- (D) The Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, when necessary.

(c) The inspection must cover all of the following:

- (A) Hazardous material handling and storage.
- (B) Machinery and equipment used at the service site.
- (C) Safety equipment.
- (D) Physical environment.
- (E) Food handling, when necessary.

(d) The documented results of the inspection, including recommended modifications or changes and documentation of any resulting action taken, must be kept by the provider agency for five years.

(11) FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTIONS. A provider agency must ensure each provider owned, operated, or controlled service site has received initial fire and life safety inspections performed by the local fire authority or a Deputy State Fire Marshal, and once every two years after. The documented results of the inspection, including documentation of recommended modifications or changes and documentation of any resulting action taken, must be kept by the provider agency for five years.

(12) STAFFING

(a) Direct service staff must be present in sufficient number to meet health, safety, and service needs specified in the Individual Support Plans or Service Agreements for each individual present.

(b) Direct service staff must be provided to meet staffing requirements specified in the Individual Support Plans or Service Agreements for each individual present.

(c) Employment path services and small group employment support may not be delivered at the same time to more than eight individuals per employment professional or direct service staff.

(d) Job coaching and discovery support are a one-to-one service and may not be delivered in groups.

(e) When individuals are present, at least one staff member on duty must have the following minimum skills and training:

(A) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification.

(B) Current First Aid certification.

(C) Training to meet other specific medical needs identified in an individual's Individual Support Plan or Service Agreement.

(D) Training to meet other specific behavior support needs identified in an individual's Individual Support Plan or Service Agreement.

(13) **MEDICATIONS AND HEALTH AND MEDICAL NEEDS.** A provider agency delivering services to individuals that involve assistance with meeting health and medical needs must:

(a) Develop and implement written policies and procedures addressing all of the following:

(A) Emergency medical intervention.

(B) Treatment and documentation of illness and health care concerns.

(C) Administering, storing, and disposing of prescription and non-prescription drugs, including self-administration.

(D) Emergency medical procedures, including the handling of bodily fluids.

(E) Confidentiality of medical records.

(b) Maintain a current written record for each individual receiving assistance with meeting health and medical needs that includes all of the following:

(A) Health status as known.

(B) Changes in health status observed during hours of service.

(C) Any remedial and corrective action required and when such actions were taken if occurring during hours of service.

(D) A description of any known restrictions on activities due to medical limitations.

(c) If providing medication administration when an individual is unable to self-administer medications and there is no other responsible person present who may lawfully direct administration of medications, the provider agency must:

(A) Have a written order or copy of the current written order, signed by a physician or physician designee, before any medication, prescription or non-prescription, is administered.

(B) Administer medications per written orders.

(C) Administer medications from containers labeled as specified per physician written order.

(D) Keep medications secure and unavailable to any other individual and stored as prescribed.

(E) Record administration for relevant medications on an individualized Medication Administration Record (MAR), including treatments and PRN, or "as needed", orders.

(F) Not administer unused, discontinued, outdated, or recalled medication.

(G) Not administer PRN psychotropic medication. PRN, or "as needed", orders may not be accepted for psychotropic medication.

(d) Maintain a MAR (if required). The MAR must include all of the following:

(A) The name of the individual.

(B) The brand name or generic name of the relevant medication, including the prescribed dosage and frequency of administration as contained on physician order and medication.

(C) Times and dates the administration or self-administration of the medication occurs.

(D) The signature of the staff administering the medication or monitoring the self-administration of the medication.

(E) Method of administration.

(F) Documentation of any known allergies or adverse reactions to a medication.

(G) Documentation and an explanation of why a PRN, or "as needed", medication was administered and the results of such administration.

(H) An explanation of any medication administration irregularity with documentation of a review by the provider agency's executive director or their designee.

(e) Provide safeguards to prevent adverse medication reactions including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Maintaining information about the effects and side-effects of medications the provider agency has agreed to administer.

(B) Communicating any concerns regarding any medication usage, effectiveness, or effects to an individual or the individual's legal or designated representative (as applicable).

(C) Prohibiting the use of one individual's medications by another individual or person.

(14) TRANSPORTATION. A provider agency that owns or operates vehicles that transport individuals must:

(a) Maintain the vehicles in safe operating condition.

(b) Comply with the laws of the Oregon Driver and Motor Vehicle Services (DMV).

(c) Maintain insurance coverage on the vehicles and all authorized drivers.

(d) Carry a first aid kit in each vehicle.

(e) Assign drivers who meet the applicable DMV requirements to operate vehicles that transport individuals.

(15) MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS. If assisting with management of funds, a provider agency must have and implement written policies and procedures related to the oversight of the individual's financial resources that includes the following:

(a) Procedures that prohibit inappropriately expending an individual's personal funds, theft of an individual's personal funds, using an individual's funds for the benefit of staff, commingling an individual's personal funds with the provider agency's or another individual's funds, or the provider agency becoming an individual's legal or designated representative.

(b) The provider agency's reimbursement to an individual of any funds that are missing due to theft or mismanagement on the part of any staff of the provider agency, or of any funds within the custody of the provider agency that are missing. Such reimbursement must be made within 10 business days of the verification that funds are missing.

(16) PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR SERVICES. A provider agency must have and implement written policies and procedures to assure professional behavior services are delivered by a qualified behavior professional in accordance with OAR chapter 411, division 304.

(17) BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS. Behavior supports must be provided in accordance with OAR 411-345-0170.

(18) EMPLOYMENT SERVICES AT A PROVIDER SITE. There must be an ODDS-approved home and community-based assessment for any employment services delivered at a provider site. The purpose is to ensure compliance with OAR chapter 411, division 004 about home and community-based services, no funding in sheltered work, and that the correct employment service is authorized.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.104, 427.154, 430.662

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 409.010, 427.007, 427.101, 427.104, 427.154, 430.610, 430.662

411-345-0040 Application for Initial Certificate and Certificate Renewal

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0030)

411-345-0050 Reciprocal Compliance for Agency Service Providers

(Amended 12/28/2014)

(1) The Department may accept compliance with other formally recognized standards as assurance of compliance with all or part of these rules.

(2) An employment service provider seeking an endorsement based on compliance with other standards must provide the Department with a copy of the complete detailed report from the reviewing group. Where there are differences between other standards and Oregon Administrative Rules, the Oregon Administrative Rules shall take precedence.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 430.662

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 430.610, 430.662, 430.670

411-345-0060 Certification Expiration, Termination of Operations, Certificate Return

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0030)

411-345-0070 Change of Ownership, Legal Entity, Legal Status, Management Corporation

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0030)

411-345-0080 Inspections and Investigations

(Repealed 01/06/2012 – See OAR 411-323-0040)

411-345-0085 Reports and Recordkeeping

(Amended 12/28/2018)

(1) A provider must maintain progress notes regarding the employment service provided.

(a) A progress note must include, at minimum, all of the following information regarding the service rendered:

(A) Date and time the service was delivered.

(B) Information regarding progress towards achieving the intended employment goal for which the employment service was utilized, including progress towards outcomes and milestones outlined in the Career Development Plan and the implementation strategies or plan.

(C) At least every six months, documentation of the number of hours the supported individual works, the wages and level of benefits, as well as any opportunities presented to the individual for increased work hours.

(D) Any discussion about work hours and related goals.

(b) Progress notes must be made available upon request.

(2) JOB DEVELOPMENT. A provider being paid for job development must report activity for each individual supported, at least monthly, to the individual's case management entity.

(3) DISCOVERY PROFILE. A provider being paid for discovery must complete a Discovery Profile for each individual supported and submit the Discovery Profile to the individual's case management entity.

(4) BENEFITS COUNSELING. A benefits counselor must document the outcome of benefits counseling, including the advisement provided to an individual regarding benefits and work incentives and whether a referral for additional benefits counseling was made.

(5) Unless stated otherwise, all entries required by these rules must:

(a) Be prepared at the time, or immediately following, the event being recorded;

(b) Be accurate and contain no willful falsifications;

(c) Be legible, dated, and signed by the person making the entry; and

(d) Be maintained for no less than five years.

(6) Failure to furnish written documentation upon the written request from the Department, the Oregon Health Authority, the Oregon Department of Justice Medicaid Fraud Unit, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or their authorized representatives, immediately or within timeframes specified in the written request, may be deemed reason to recover payment.

(7) Records must be retained in accordance with OAR chapter 166, division 150, Secretary of State, Archives Division.

(a) Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other records (except individual records) must be retained for at least three years after the close of a contract period.

(b) Individual records must be kept for at least seven years.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0090 Variances for Agency Service Providers

(Amended 11/01/2019)

(1) The Department may grant a variance to these rules based upon a demonstration by the agency service provider that an alternative method or different approach provides equal or greater program effectiveness and does not adversely impact the welfare, health, safety, or rights of individuals or violate state or federal laws.

(2) The agency service provider requesting a variance must submit a written application to the CDDP or the Department that contains the following:

(a) The section of the rule from which the variance is sought;

(b) The reason for the proposed variance;

(c) The alternative practice, service, method, concept, or procedure proposed; and

(d) If the variance applies to the services of an individual, evidence that the variance is consistent with the currently authorized ISP for the individual.

(3) The CDDP must forward the signed variance request form to the Department within 30 calendar days from the receipt of the request indicating the position of the CDDP on the proposed variance.

(4) The request for a variance is approved or denied by the Department. The decision of the Department is sent to the agency service provider, the CDDP, and to all relevant Department programs or offices within 30 calendar days from the receipt of the variance request.

(5) The agency service provider may request an administrative review of the denial of a variance. The Department must receive a written request for an administrative review within 10 business days from the receipt of the denial. The agency service provider must send a copy of the written request for an administrative review to the CDDP or the Department. The decision of the Director is the final response from the Department.

(6) The duration of the variance is determined by the Department.

(7) The agency service provider may implement a variance only after written approval from the Department.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0095 Service and Payment Limitations

(Amended 01/01/2018)

(1) Employment service rates authorized in Department payment and reporting systems are paid to providers for delivering services, as described in these rules, and shall be based upon the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Rate Schedule.

(2) Only one hourly employment service may be billed per individual per hour. Payments based on an outcome for job development and discovery are not in conflict with payments made based on direct service delivery.

(3) Employment services and payment for employment services are limited to the following:

(a) 25 hours per week for any combination of job coaching, small group employment support, and employment path services.

(b) 40 hours in any one week for job coaching if job coaching is the only service utilized.

(4) Exceptions to the service and payment limitations may be considered by the Department based upon applicable Department policy.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104, 430.662

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.154, 430.610, 430.662, 430.670

411-345-0100 Staffing Requirements

(Repealed 12/28/2014 – See OAR 411-345-0030)

411-345-0110 Individuals' Rights and Individually-Based Limitations

(Amended 01/01/2018)

(1) INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS.

(a) A provider agency must have and implement written policies and procedures protecting the individual rights described in OAR 411-318-0010 and encourage and assist individuals to understand and exercise their rights.

(b) Upon entry and request and annually thereafter, the individual rights described in OAR 411-318-0010 must be provided to an individual and their legal or designated representative.

(2) INDIVIDUALLY-BASED LIMITATIONS.

(a) A provider may not place any limitations on an individual's right to freedom from restraint without an individually-based limitation, except in accordance with the standards for developmental disabilities services set forth in ORS 443.739, OAR chapter 411, or the relevant Title XIX Medicaid-funding authority.

(b) When an individual's freedom from restraint may not be met due to a threat to the health and safety of the individual or others, an

individually-based limitation must be authorized and documented in the individual's ISP in accordance with OAR 411-415-0070.

(c) A provider is responsible for all of the following:

(A) Maintaining a copy of the completed and signed form documenting an individual's consent to the appropriate individually-based limitation. The form must be signed by the individual, or the individual's legal representative, if applicable.

(B) Regular collection and review of data to measure the ongoing effectiveness of, and the continued need for, the individually-based limitation.

(C) Requesting a review of the individually-based limitation when a change or removal of the individually-based limitation is needed.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104, 430.662

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.154, 430.610, 430.662, 430.670

411-345-0120 Rights: Confidentiality of Records

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0130 Complaints, Notification of Planned Action, and Hearings

(Amended 11/01/2019)

(1) INDIVIDUAL COMPLAINTS.

(a) A provider agency must have and implement written policies and procedures for individual complaints in accordance with OAR 411-318-0015.

(b) Individual complaints by, or on behalf of, an individual must be addressed in accordance with OAR 411-318-0015.

(c) Within 30 calendar days of beginning employment services with a new provider, upon request, and annually thereafter, the policy and procedures for complaints must be explained and provided to an individual and their legal or designated representative (as applicable).

(2) NOTIFICATION OF PLANNED ACTION. In the event a developmental disabilities service is denied, reduced, suspended, or terminated or voluntarily reduced, suspended, or terminated, either by the Department or a case management entity, a written advance Notification of Planned Action (form 0947) must be provided as described in OAR 411-318-0020.

(3) HEARINGS.

(a) If the Department or a case management entity issues a denial, reduction, suspension, or termination of a developmental disabilities service, then an individual may request a hearing as provided in ORS chapter 183 and OAR 411-318-0025.

(b) Hearings must be addressed in accordance with ORS chapter 183 and OAR 411-318-0025.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0140 Exit and Transfer Requirements for a Provider Agency

(Amended 11/01/2019)

(1) VOLUNTARY TRANSFERS AND EXITS.

(a) A provider agency must promptly notify an individual's case manager if the individual gives notice of the intent to exit services or abruptly exits services.

(b) A provider agency must notify an individual's case manager prior to the voluntary transfer or exit of an individual from services.

(c) Notification and authorization of an individual's voluntary transfer or exit must be documented in the individual's record.

(2) INVOLUNTARY REDUCTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND EXITS.

(a) A provider agency may reduce, transfer, or exit an individual or group of individuals involuntarily for one or more of the following reasons:

(A) The behavior of the individual poses an imminent risk of danger to self or others.

(B) The individual experiences a medical emergency.

(C) The provider agency is no longer able to meet the service needs of the individual.

(D) The provider agency cannot provide the services needed to meet the individual's goals associated with the service.

(E) The site closes or the provider agency makes a programmatic change.

(F) The certification or endorsement for the provider agency described in OAR chapter 411, division 323 is suspended, revoked, not renewed, or voluntarily surrendered.

(b) A provider agency may give less than 30 calendar days advance written notice only in a medical emergency or when an individual is engaging in behavior that poses an imminent danger to self or others. The notice must be provided to the individual and the individual's legal or designated representative (as applicable) and case manager, immediately upon determination of the need for a reduction, transfer, or exit.

(c) A Notice of Involuntary Reduction, Transfer, or Exit is not required when:

(A) An individual requests the reduction or exit.

(B) A general community employer terminates the employment relationship with the individual.

(C) The end date of the service identified on the ISP or Service Agreement is reached, if the provider has given at least 30 days written notification to the individual and the individual's case manager of the intent to reduce or terminate services.

(d) NOTICE OF INVOLUNTARY INDIVIDUAL REDUCTION, TRANSFER, OR EXIT. A provider agency must not reduce services, transfer, or exit an individual involuntarily without 30 calendar days advance written notice to the individual and the individual's legal or designated representative (as applicable) and case manager, except in the case of a medical emergency or when an individual is engaging in behavior that poses an imminent danger to self or others as described in subsection (b) of this section. The written notice must be provided on the Notice of Involuntary Reduction, Transfer, or Exit form approved by the Department and include all of the following:

(A) The reason for the reduction, transfer, or exit.

(B) The right of individuals receiving employment services to submit a complaint to the Department and have the Department review the matter.

(C) The individual's right to a hearing as described in subsection (f) of this section, if the individual is not satisfied with the outcome of the complaint process and Department review of the matter.

(e) NOTICE OF INVOLUNTARY GROUP REDUCTION OR EXIT. If a provider agency reduces or exits more than 10 individuals within any 30 calendar day period, the provider agency must provide written notice 60 calendar days in advance to the individuals and their legal or designated representatives (as applicable), the Department, and their

case manager. The written notice must be provided on the Notice of Involuntary Reduction or Exit form approved by the Department and include all of the following:

(A) The reason for the reduction or exit.

(B) The right of individuals receiving employment services to submit a complaint to the Department and have the Department review the matter.

(C) The right of the individual to a hearing as described in subsection (f) of this section, if the individual is not satisfied with the outcome of the complaint and Department review of the matter.

(f) HEARING RIGHTS. An individual must be given the opportunity for a hearing under ORS chapter 183 and OAR 411-318-0030 to dispute an involuntary reduction, transfer, or exit, if the individual is not satisfied with the complaint resolution and Department review. If an individual requests a hearing, the individual must receive the same services until the hearing is resolved, unless the provider is no longer delivering that service to any individual. When an individual has been given written notice of a reduction, transfer, or exit as described in subsection (b) of this section less than 30 calendar days in advance and the individual has requested a hearing, the provider agency must reserve service availability for the individual until receipt of the Final Order.

(3) EXIT MEETING.

(a) The ISP team for an individual, including the employment provider, must meet before any decision is made to exit the individual from services. An exit meeting must be held within 10 business days if requested by the individual, the provider, or anyone on the ISP team and is due to a medical emergency, or when an individual is engaging in behavior that poses an imminent danger to self or others. Otherwise, the exit meeting must occur within a reasonable amount of

time. Findings of the exit meeting must be recorded in the individual's file and include, at a minimum, all of the following:

- (A) The name of the individual considered for exit.
- (B) The date of the exit meeting.
- (C) The participants included in the exit meeting.
- (D) The circumstances leading to the proposed exit.
- (E) The strategies to prevent the exit of the individual from services (unless the individual is requesting the exit);
- (F) The decision regarding the exit of the individual, including verification of the voluntary decision to exit or a copy of the Notice of Involuntary Reduction, Transfer, or Exit.
- (G) Documentation of the proposed plan for services after the exit.

(b) Requirements for an exit meeting may be waived if an individual is immediately removed from services under any of the following conditions:

- (A) The individual requests an immediate removal from services.
- (B) The individual is removed by legal authority acting pursuant to civil or criminal proceedings.

(4) TRANSFER MEETING. An ISP team must meet to discuss any proposed transfer of an individual from one site to another site before any decision to transfer is made. Findings of the transfer meeting must be recorded in the individual's file and include, at a minimum, all of the following:

- (a) The name of the individual considered for transfer.
- (b) The date of the transfer meeting.

- (c) The participants included in the transfer meeting.
- (d) Circumstances leading to the proposed transfer.
- (e) The alternatives considered instead of a transfer.
- (f) The reasons any preferences of the individual, or as applicable their legal or designated representative or family members, may not be honored.
- (g) The decision regarding the transfer of the individual, including verification of the voluntary decision to transfer or exit or a copy of the Notice of Involuntary Reduction, Transfer, or Exit.
- (h) The written plan for services after the transfer.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0145 Entry Requirements for a Provider Agency

(Amended 11/01/2019)

- (1) An entry meeting must occur, upon request from an individual, the individual's provider agency, or any member of the individual's ISP team, when the individual begins employment services with a new provider.
- (2) Prior to the delivery of employment services, or at the entry meeting, a provider agency must acquire or demonstrate efforts to acquire, and maintain the following information related to the delivery of employment services so long as the individual has agreed to share the information with the provider agency:
 - (a) A copy of the individual's Career Development Plan and either a Service Agreement or relevant portions of the ISP, including the following:
 - (A) Information regarding identified relevant risks. The risks are relevant when they may reasonably be expected to threaten the

health and safety of the individual, the provider, or the community at large without appropriate precautions during the delivery of the employment service authorized. If an individual refuses to disclose the information, the case management entity must disclose the refusal to the provider, who may choose to refuse to deliver the services.

(B) Relevant protocols or mitigation strategies.

(C) Any existing information from the person-centered information document or one-page profile that is relevant for employment services.

(D) Any other employment related information in the Career Development Plan.

(b) All information related to the individual's employment goals and interests including, but not limited to, the following (if available):

(A) Resume or work history information.

(B) Progress notes or outcome documents from Department-funded employment services.

(C) Documentation available through Vocational Rehabilitation or the local education authority or transition program.

(D) Discovery Profile (if applicable).

(E) Any other information related to the individual's skills and interests related to employment.

(c) For an agency provider, any of the following documents if related to an identified relevant risk:

(A) A document indicating safety skills, including the ability of the individual to evacuate from a building when warned by a signal device and adjust water temperature for washing;

- (B) A brief written history of any behavioral challenges, including supervision and support needs;
- (C) A copy of the most recent Behavior Support Plan and assessment, Nursing Plan, and mental health treatment plan (if applicable);
- (D) Copies of protocols, the risk tracking record or risk identification tool, and any support documentation (if applicable);
- (E) Copies of documents relating to court orders, probation and parole information, or any other legal restrictions on the rights of the individual (if applicable);
- (F) A copy of any completed and signed forms documenting consent to an individually-based limitation described in OAR 411-004-0040. The form must be signed by the individual, and, if applicable the legal representative of the individual;
- (G) Copies of documents relating to health care representation;
- (H) Emergency contact information;
- (I) Records describing medication taken by the individual that emergency medical personnel must be aware of in the event of an emergency; and
- (J) A list that describes any allergies that emergency medical personnel must be aware of in the event of any emergency.

(d) Any other documentation the individual has agreed needs to be shared for the delivery of employment services.

(3) A provider agency must develop and share the following information with an individual and the individual's case manager:

- (a) A written plan or implementation strategies for each employment service. The plan or strategies become part of an individual's Career

Development Plan as well as the Service Agreement or Job Description. The written strategies for service implementation must be given to an individual and individual's case manager within 60 calendar days of providing services for the ISP year.

(b) A mitigation strategy or protocol that addresses each identified relevant risk. Risk mitigation strategies or protocols must be given to the individual and individual's case manager before services begin for the ISP year.

(c) Other documents requested by the ISP team.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0150 Entry, Exit and Transfer: Appeal Process

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0140 and 411-345-0145)

411-345-0160 Individual Support Plan and Career Development Planning

(Amended 11/01/2019)

(1) A Career Development Plan must be completed as part of an individual's ISP consistent with the case management requirements outlined under OAR chapter 411, division 415.

(2) A provider must implement an individual's Service Agreement or ISP, Career Development Plan, provider implementation strategies, and any other related documents.

(3) A provider must comply with Department rules and policies regarding the Service Agreement or ISP and Career Development Plan.

(4) A provider agency must train each employment specialist to understand an individual's Service Agreement or ISP, Career Development Plan, and supporting documents for each individual the employment specialist supports and to provide individual services.

(5) A provider agency must assign a staff member to participate as a team member in the development of an individual's ISP and Career Development Plan, and, when invited by the individual, participate in a face-to-face meeting annually with the ISP team.

(6) In preparation for an annual ISP meeting, a provider agency must complete all of the following, regardless of whether the provider agency participates in the meeting:

- (a) Organize person-centered information the provider agency holds regarding a supported individual's preferences, interests, and desires, and contribute the information to the person-centered information document.

- (b) Review the services and supports identified in an individual's current Service Agreement or ISP and Career Development Plan to determine the ongoing appropriateness and adequacy and any needed updates.

- (c) Develop a preliminary written plan or provider implementation strategies including measurable goals to support an individual to achieve the career goals and outcomes outlined in their Career Development Plan.

- (d) Share all materials gathered and written in preparation for the ISP meeting with an individual's ISP team one week prior to the ISP meeting.

(7) Following an annual ISP meeting, and upon agreement from an individual, a provider agency must acquire or demonstrate efforts to acquire, and maintain the following information related to the delivery of employment services:

- (a) A copy of the individual's Career Development Plan and either a Service Agreement or relevant portions of the ISP, including the following:

- (A) Information regarding identified relevant risks. The risks are relevant when they may reasonably be expected to threaten the health and safety of the individual, the provider, or the community at large without appropriate precautions during the delivery of the employment service authorized. If an individual refuses to disclose the information, the case management entity must disclose the refusal to the provider, who may choose to refuse to deliver the services.
 - (B) Protocols or other mitigation strategies.
 - (C) Any existing information from the person-centered information document or one-page profile that is relevant for employment services.
 - (D) Any other employment related information in the Career Development Plan.
- (b) All information related to the individual's employment goals and interests including, but not limited to all of the following:
- (A) Resume or work history information.
 - (B) Progress notes or outcome documents from Department-funded employment services.
 - (C) Documentation available through Vocational Rehabilitation or the local education authority or transition program.
 - (D) Discovery Profile (if applicable).
 - (E) Any other information related to the individual's skills and interests related to employment.
- (c) For an agency provider, any of the following documents if related to an identified relevant risk:

- (A) A document indicating safety skills, including the ability of the individual to evacuate from a building when warned by a signal device and adjust water temperature for washing.
 - (B) A brief written history of any behavioral challenges, including supervision and support needs.
 - (C) A copy of the most recent Behavior Support Plan and assessment, Nursing Plan, and mental health treatment plan (if applicable).
 - (D) Copies of protocols, the risk tracking record or risk identification tool, and any support documentation (if applicable).
 - (E) Copies of documents relating to court orders, probation and parole information, or any other legal restrictions on the rights of the individual (if applicable).
 - (F) A copy of any completed and signed forms documenting consent to an individually-based limitation described in OAR 411-004-0040. The form must be signed by the individual, and, if applicable the legal representative of the individual.
 - (G) Copies of documents relating to health care representation.
 - (H) Emergency contact information.
 - (I) Records describing medication taken by the individual that emergency medical personnel must be aware of in the event of an emergency.
 - (J) A list that describes any allergies that emergency medical personnel must be aware of in the event of any emergency.
- (d) Any other documentation the individual has agreed needs to be shared for the delivery of employment services.

(8) A provider must develop or update and share the following information with an individual and the individual's case manager:

(a) The written plan or implementation strategies for each employment service including updates from the individual's ISP team meeting and updates to the individual's Career Development Plan. The plan or strategies become part of the ISP or Service Agreement. The written strategies for service implementation must be given to an individual and the individual's case manager within 60 calendar days of providing services for the ISP year.

(b) A mitigation strategy or protocol that addresses each identified relevant risk. The risk mitigation strategies or protocols must be given to an individual and the individual's case manager before services begin for the ISP year.

(c) Other documents requested by the individual's ISP team.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0170 Behavior Supports and Physical Restraints

(Amended 11/01/2019)

For the purpose of this rule, a designated person is the person implementing the behavior supports identified in an individual's Positive Behavior Support Plan.

(1) BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS. Professional behavior services and behavior supports must be delivered in accordance with OAR chapter 411, division 304, OAR 411-323-0060, and OAR 411-345-0035.

(2) SAFEGUARDING INTERVENTIONS AND SAFEGUARDING EQUIPMENT.

(a) A designated person must only utilize a safeguarding intervention or safeguarding equipment when:

- (A) BEHAVIOR. Used to address an individual's challenging behavior, the safeguarding intervention or safeguarding equipment is included in the individual's Positive Behavior Support Plan written by a qualified behavior professional as described in OAR 411-304-0150 and implemented consistent with the individual's Positive Behavior Support Plan.
- (B) MEDICAL. Used to address an individual's medical condition or medical support need, the safeguarding intervention or safeguarding equipment is included in a medical order written by the individual's licensed health care provider and implemented consistent with the medical order.
- (b) The individual, or as applicable their legal representative, must provide consent for the safeguarding intervention or safeguarding equipment through an individually-based limitation in accordance with OAR 411-345-0110.
- (c) Prior to utilizing a safeguarding intervention or safeguarding equipment, a designated person must be trained.
- (A) For a safeguarding intervention, the designated person must be trained in intervention techniques using an ODDS-approved behavior intervention curriculum and trained to the individual's specific needs. Training must be conducted by a person who is appropriately certified in an ODDS-approved behavior intervention curriculum.
- (B) For safeguarding equipment, the designated person must be trained on the use of the identified safeguarding equipment.
- (d) A designated person must not utilize any safeguarding intervention or safeguarding equipment not meeting the standards set forth in this rule even when the use is directed by the individual or their legal or designated representative, regardless of the individual's age.

(3) EMERGENCY PHYSICAL RESTRAINTS.

(a) The use of an emergency physical restraint when not written into a Positive Behavior Support Plan, not authorized in an individual's ISP, and not consented to by the individual in an individually-based limitation, must only be used when all of the following conditions are met:

(A) In situations when there is imminent risk of harm to the individual or others or when the individual's behavior has a probability of leading to engagement with the legal or justice system;

(B) Only as a measure of last resort; and

(C) Only for as long as the situation presents imminent danger to the health or safety of the individual or others.

(b) The use of emergency physical restraints must not include any of the following characteristics:

(A) Abusive.

(B) Aversive.

(C) Coercive.

(D) For convenience.

(E) Disciplinary.

(F) Demeaning.

(G) Mechanical.

(H) Prone or supine restraint.

(I) Pain compliance.

(J) Punishment.

(K) Retaliatory.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 409.050, 427.007, 427.104

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 427.007, 427.104, 427.154

411-345-0180 Protective Physical Intervention for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035 and 411-345-0170)

411-345-0190 Medical Services for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0200 Individual Summary Sheets and Emergency Information for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0230 Incident Reports and Emergency Notifications for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0240 Emergency Plan and Safety Review for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0250 Evacuation for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0260 Physical Environment for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0270 Vehicles and Drivers for a Provider Agency

(Repealed 01/01/2018 – See OAR 411-345-0035)

411-345-0280 Individual/Family Involvement

(Repealed 07/01/2011)

411-345-0290 Certificate Denial, Suspension, Revocation, Refusal to Renew

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0030)

411-345-0300 Hearings

(Repealed 07/01/2011 – See OAR 411-345-0030)

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