

# SB 1557 June 2024 Progress Report

The Oregon Health Authority, in collaboration with the Department of Human Services and with families and youth with lived experience, shall investigate the services and supports provided to individuals under the age of 21 years and funded through the Community First Choice Option under 42 U.S.C. 1396n(k) that are provided to avoid a placement of a child or youth in each of the following types of institutions:

- (a) A hospital, as defined in ORS 442.015;
- (b) A nursing home;
- (c) An intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities or persons with related conditions certified under 42 C.F.R. part 483; or
- (d) An inpatient facility providing psychiatric treatment to individuals under the age of 21 years.

A Preliminary report is due to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health care and human services by October 1, 2024.

## Progress on Preliminary report due October 1, 2024

- Data Summary and Recommendations
  - University of Connecticut, Innovations Institute contracted to summarize data elements and provide recommendation in Section 4(3)(b)(A-H).
  - ODHS and OHA SMEs collaborated to identify data requirements and worked with ODHS' Office of Reporting, Research, and Analytics (ORRAI) to pull and validate data."
  - o Data reports validated by SME's.
  - Data in Section 4(3)(a)(A-H) provided to UConn.

- Community Engagement
  - Coordination with SMEs to identify established community groups to inform recommendations and provide feedback on recommendations for the October 1, 2024, preliminary report.
  - Development of a youth and family's workgroup to inform project team through final report due March 1, 2025, and beyond.
- Coordination and Cross-Agency Collaboration
  - Presentation to Medicaid/Chip Operations Coordination Steering Committee (MOCSC).
- Limited Duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3
  - o Interviews are scheduled for qualified applicants.

### Final Report Due March 1, 2025

- Data Summary and Recommendations
  - o Criteria for a Level of Care tool for Psych under 21.
  - Implementation planning of recommendations that do not require legislative funding, CMS approval or policy changes.
  - Funding and policy requirements to implement recommendations.
- Community Engagement
  - Ongoing engagement with youth and families to develop requirements to implement recommendations.
- Coordination and Cross-Agency Collaboration
  - Engage agency leaders to assign SMEs to implement planning of recommendations that do not require legislative funding, CMS approval or policy changes.

## March 2025 and Beyond

OHA, ODE, and ODHS to navigate and align work across agencies, to include parent and community involvement.

#### 2025 Action Plan

- Legislation: Secure sufficient funding
- Hire positions recommended in March 2025 report.
- Continue community engagement.
- Coordinate with MOCSC.
- On-board new staff.
- Introduce and cross train new OHA, ODHS, OED staff.
- Develop high level implementation plan.
- Assign SMEs for implementation across agencies.

#### 2026 Action Plan

- Finalize comprehensive implementation plan.
- o Identify project team roles and responsibilities.
- Consult with Tribal Leaders.
- Complete State Plan Amendment.
  - Define Level of Care criteria & assessment tool.
  - Develop provider types and service rates.
  - Approval for new residential settings.
  - Approval of Psych under 21 Level of Care (LOC) tool.
- Plan and design IT systems integration.
- Obtain feedback from providers and referral sources.

#### 2027 Action Plan

- Monitor IT systems integration design.
- Certify rates and provider types.
- Develop service delivery pathways and infrastructure.
- Develop QA and reporting requirements.
- Announce and Award Request for Proposal (RFP) for service delivery providers.
- Develop external communications plans.
- Develop OHA, OED, ODHS training materials.

#### 2028 Action Plan

- Validate IT system updates and integration.
- OHA, OED, ODHS staffing training.
- Solicit for Youth Advisory Board Members.
- Consult with Tribal Liaisons on OARs.
- OAR Development:
  - o Youth Rules Advisory Board engagement.
- Cross-agency Rule Making.
- File revised OAR.

#### 2029 Action Plan

- Implement external communications plans.
- Roll out project.
- Monitor reporting requirements.

0	o Monitor challenges and provide technical assistance.				
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