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**Document Title:** Family Connects Oregon 2025-2027 Reimbursement Advisory Committee Charter  
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## **Family Connects Oregon Background**

The birth of a child is a big change for any family. During this time of change, the needs of each family differ, but most families report they welcome support. Offering home visiting services to all families of newborns is a critical strategy to providing this support and will result in improved health and socioeconomic outcomes. Family Connects is an evidence-based national home visiting model that is being used to implement the universally-offered newborn nurse home visiting (UoHV) program in Oregon. The Family Connects Oregon Reimbursement Advisory Committee (“Advisory Committee”) will review Oregon Health Authority’s (OHA) reimbursement methodology for the health benefit plan rate for Family Connects Oregon (FCO) services that will be effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.

As of May 2024, there were a total of 3,003 integrated home visits (IHVs) completed in nine FCO sites. FCO is available in the following counties:

- Washington County
- Malheur County
- Central Oregon (Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties)
- Linn, Lincoln, Benton counties

We anticipate the launch of the following sites by the end of the 2023-2025 biennium:

- Polk County
- Lane County
- Multnomah County
- Yamhill County
- Douglas County
- Curry and Coos County (South Coast Region)

## **Purpose of the Reimbursement Advisory Committee**

Senate Bill 1555 passed in March 2022 gives OHA the authority to define the requirements for reimbursement for health benefit plans and the process for defining the reimbursement rate. [Oregon Administrative Rules 333-006-0180](#) calls for ten members to represent various stakeholders (e.g., health benefit plans, FCO service providers and community members) to serve on the Advisory Committee. The rules stipulate: “The case rate and the single support visit rate on July 1, 2023, and thereafter shall be determined by a cost study coordinated by the Authority in consultation with an advisory committee on a biennial schedule. The case rate will be effective on July 1 of odd numbered calendar years.” Applications to

become a member of the Advisory Committee will open July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and conclude on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Applicants will be notified of their status by OHA staff no later than October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### **Reimbursement Advisory Committee Member Roles**

The role of the Advisory Committee member is to provide their subject matter expertise and input on the rate setting process and the development of budget standards. Members will not vote on the final rate, but will help guide OHA to an equitable case rate setting process.

### **Reimbursement Advisory Committee Meetings**

The Advisory Committee will meet three times virtually from November 2024 through March 2025. Meeting length will be 2 hours. We encourage applicants to commit to attending all three of the virtual meetings. OHA will prepare the agenda for Advisory Committee meetings and the agendas will be distributed to members one week prior to the meeting. The meetings will tentatively consist of the following topics:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting Objectives</b>
<b>Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction to Reimbursement Advisory Committee</li><li>• Review draft cost template, budget standards document and gather committee feedback</li></ul>
<b>Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Present draft documents (Budget Standards, reimbursement rate process)</li><li>• Address Committee Feedback</li></ul>
<b>Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Present final draft documents</li><li>• Present final 2025-2027 FCO reimbursement rate for commercial plans</li><li>• Adjourn Committee</li></ul>