



Date: November 27, 2024

To: Interested Parties

From: Amanda Timmons, Policy Analyst  
Immunization Program

Subject: Notice of Proposed Permanent Rulemaking – OAR chapter 333, divisions 46, 47 and 49 - “Vaccine Access Program. Adds Centers for Disease Control as ALERT IIS user”

The Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, Oregon Immunization Program (OIP) is adopting the Vaccine Access Program (VAP) in Oregon Administrative Rule. VAP is Oregon’s name for the federal 317 vaccine program which has provided vaccines for uninsured people for many years. ALERT IIS rules have received a routine review. Adds a provision that allows an adult to unlock their record once they turn 18 years of age if the record was locked when they were a minor. ALERT IIS records belong to the individual, so once a person reaches 18 years, they have the right to determine whether the record remains locked or not. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is being added as an authorized user of ALERT IIS for the purpose of investigating vaccine adverse events.

For more details, please see the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking including the Statements of Need and Fiscal and Racial Equity Impacts, and the full text of the proposed rules at:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PREVENTIONWELLNESS/VACCINESIMMUNIZATION/RULESLAWS/Pages/index.aspx>

You are invited to review and comment on the proposed rules. There are two (2) options to provide comment:

1. You may provide oral (spoken) testimony during a public hearing scheduled on **Monday, December 16, 2024, at 2:00 P.M.** Pacific Time via video/phone conference using Microsoft Teams
  - To provide oral testimony during this hearing:
    - Join using the [Meeting URL](#). You can also find the join link for the meeting in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking under “Remote Meeting Details” using the “Meeting URL.”
    - You may also contact the Public Health Division Rules Coordinator at [publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov](mailto:publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov) to sign-up to give oral testimony and receive the link for the Microsoft Teams video conference via calendar appointment.
    - To join the hearing via phone (audio/listen only), you may dial 971-277-2343, phone conference ID 318 125 808#
2. Written comments may be submitted before **5:00 P.M. Pacific Time on December 23, 2024:**
  - Email comments to: [publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov](mailto:publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov)
  - Mail comments\* to: OHA, Public Health Division  
Brittany Hall, Administrative Rules Coordinator  
800 NE Oregon St. Suite 930  
Portland, OR 97232
    - \* Comments sent by regular mail must be postmarked by 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time on December 23, 2024.
  - Send comments by fax to: 971-673-1299

Final rules will be filed after consideration of all comments.

If you have questions or would like a paper copy of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, please contact Amanda Timmons at [amanda.j.timmons@oha.oregon.gov](mailto:amanda.j.timmons@oha.oregon.gov) or 503-269-3288.

**Accessibility Statement:** For individuals with disabilities or individuals who speak a language other than English, OHA can provide free help. Some examples are: sign language and spoken language interpreters, real-time captioning, braille, large print, audio, and written materials in other languages. If you need help with these services, please contact the Public Health Administrative Rules Coordinator at 971-673-1222, 711 TTY or [publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov](mailto:publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov) at least 48 hours before the meeting. All relay calls are accepted. To best ensure our ability to provide a modification please contact us if you are considering attending the meeting and require a

---

800 NE Oregon St. Suite 370, Portland, OR 97232

Voice: 1-800-980-9431 | Fax: 971-673-0278

All relay calls accepted | [oregon.gov/OHA](http://oregon.gov/OHA)

modification. The earlier you make a request the more likely we can meet the need.

---

800 NE Oregon St. Suite 370, Portland, OR 97232

Voice: 1-800-980-9431 | Fax: 971-673-0278

All relay calls accepted | [oregon.gov/OHA](http://oregon.gov/OHA)