

# Clackamas County

## DD Licensing

December 2024



A year in review and things to know for 2025.

### **Room & Board**

Social Security Administration is implementing a 2.5% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA), see the attached transmittal. Room and board is being increased to \$752.00 effective January 1, 2025.

### **SB 99**

January 1, 2025 trainings for all employees must be completed. The approved training for SB99: **Providing Inclusive Care: Training for Oregon Long-Term Care Facility Staff**, is through [Oregon Care Partners](#) (OCP). The course is mandatory, but is free and counts towards your 12 hours of annual training!

### **AFH testing**

Providers need to contact Libby Struthers via e-mail at [lstruthers@clackamas.us](mailto:lstruthers@clackamas.us) to register for testing. Email must include the test taker's full NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS, and what test(s) are needed (full tests for new takers, or retaking specific tests). All tests are offered at the same time and place. Test dates for January are the 7<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Current, U.S. government issued photo ID's are required on site (copies or pictures of ID's NOT accepted). Door closes promptly at 10am. No late admittance, no exceptions.

### **What's Included**

#### **Room & Board**

See attached transmittal

#### **SB 99**

See attachments

#### **AFH testing**

Reminder of new process

#### **Provider Profile**

Link to form and instructions

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#### **Reminders**

Highlights from 2024

#### **DRC UPDATE**

Important reminders

#### **Helpful links**

AFH & CFH OAR, Training, Transmittals

### **Provider Profile**

*Make sure DRC's statewide have up to date information on your home and vacancies by completing the [Provider Profile and Vacancy Form](#).*

**REMINDERS** – We want you to be successful and see the individuals in your care living their best lives. There are no secrets in licensing. We do our best to keep you informed, ensure you have the most up-to-date tools you need for your business. Here are some highlights from past newsletters and provider meetings.

- 1:1 hours means exclusive focus
  - Staff need to be in arms reach and not multitasking.
- Community outings – [OAR 411-415-0070 \(8\)\(I\)](#)
  - 6 hours of person centered activities of interest to the individuals in your home, does not including driving to run a provider’s errands.
- Emergency Preparedness Plans
  - Must be reviewed and practiced annually by ALL staff
  - Chimney inspections are required if it is to be used in an emergency.
- Employee expectations
  - Any person working in your home needs to meet ALL the employment requirements per rule
  - Passing the AFH Test is required before providing ANY care and support to individuals
  - Employees in 2B homes are required to have 2 years of full time behavioral experience.
- Entries/Exits to your home
  - Notification to local CDDP (Clackamas County) required prior to move in.
  - Support documents are to be completed prior to entry with updates made within the first 30 days.
- Epi-pens can be trained by approved healthcare practitioners.
  - Must be done initially and then maintained annually.
- Forms must be filled out completely
  - No blanks

## **DRC UPDATE**

Currently we have 200+ vacancies in Clackamas County and 800+ in the state. Per rule, you are required to notify our DRCs if you are interested in a referral from a brokerage or another county before admitting them to your home. Support documents must be completed prior to move in.

### **Helpful Links**

[Adult Foster Care OAR](#) - The adult foster care OAR will support you and your foster care home.

[Children's Foster Care OAR](#) – The child foster care OAR will support you and your foster care home.

This contains needed information regarding requirements, renewals, and so much more.

[Approved training](#) – ODDS approved Continuing Education Courses, training requirements, AFH training Manual and Videos, links for CPR/First Aid courses.

[ODDS transmittal website](#) – ODDS releases transmittals which address changes that have or will be taking place. At the top of transmittal page you can “subscribe” to receive transmittals relating to CFH.