



Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division
Aging Services Advisory Council (ASAC)
 Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
 Five Oak Building, 209 SW 4th Ave, Portland, OR 97204
Pine Room, 1st floor

Zoom link: <https://multco-us.zoom.us/j/94294725561?pwd=8ZEEiVfu9sCg74q4yUeayQEF5HVkl2.1>

Meeting ID: 942 9472 5561 – Passcode: Sac.2025

Time	Agenda Item	Purpose	Lead
Attendees:	Dave Daley, Scott Moore, Barb. Rainish, Anne Lindsay		
Members			
ADVSD	Marina Khalina, Alex Garcia Lugo, Chei Becerra, Deric Anderson, Kristin Riley, Jason Normand, Nicole Galport, Melanie Altaras, Irma Jimenez, Anne Johnson, Margretta Hansen, Antonio Villarreal, Jeremy Nguyen, Lynn Schemmer-Valleau		
Guests	Jewel		
10:00	Meeting open for sign on		Deric/Cheri
10:00	Opening – Zoom review and accessibility		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:05	Land acknowledgment		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:10	Introductions – Please share your name and pronouns Prompt: What is your preferred Spring activity?		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:20	Agenda review (slide) – Call for public comment at end of meeting.		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:30 (40 min)	Presentation on Transportation program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lynn shares information about the different OAA transportation options and explains that we work with culturally specific community partners to help provide transportation to older adults. Consumers work with partners who coordinate their rides through <i>Trimet</i>, <i>Radio Cab</i>, and <i>Ride Connection</i> to help improve quality of life by reducing social isolation. - Antono shares information about the number of clients who have used OAA transportation services during the 2025 fiscal year. An average of 280 clients per month access services. Antono reviews the graphs on the slide, which outline that <i>TriMet</i> is the most-used provider, followed by <i>Radio Cab</i>, and <i>Ride Connection</i>. - Lynn explains that non-medical transportation is funded through Medicaid, and is operated by <i>TransDev</i> who coordinates rides for eligible Medicaid participants. Rides 		Marina Khalina, Lynn S-V, Margretta Hansen, and Alexander Kanso

	<p>allow participants who cannot use public transportation to access the community and to meet their needs. Rides are able to accommodate ambulatory and non-ambulatory participants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Antonio reviews numbers for non-medical transportation and outlines that there are 282 ambulatory clients and 172 non-ambulatory clients who used non medical transportation services. - Lynn reviews goals for the new 2025-2029 Area Plan. Goals include wanting to explore innovative options to expand non-medical transportation programs. OPI-M consumers will transition to non-medical transportation services. Multnomah County will work with the state and other AAA's to explore innovative ways to address these high needs/demands for services. - Lynn discusses the Pilot Program, which will explore partnerships with Uber and Lyft. These services are already used by the State of Oregon OHA "TNC Pilot Program." AAA's and Medicaid agencies nationwide have partnered with Uber/Lyft for non-medical transportation services. The Pilot Program will be conducting research and data evaluation. - Dave's Questions: 1. Suggests that staff who interact with consumers understand qualifications for TriMet Lift. If we lift-certify someone on TriMet, they might be able to ride for free in the future. There is a likelihood that consumers of non-medical transportation will qualify for TriMet Lift. 2. Are service units one-way trips? 3. Lyft and Uber drivers do not have background checks, drug testing, etc. He worries about putting vulnerable individuals on Uber/Lyft. - Margretta follows up by adding that service units are a combination of one time passes, one ticket, and also one-way rides. - Lynn says that Uber/Lyft has a new model and app for non-medical transportation, which pulls for a subset of drivers. This is different from the model that the general public uses. Third party brokers would have access to monitor and schedule rides for Medicaid consumers. We are looking into safety standards to see if they met our protocols. - Dave says that Uber/Lyft doesn't have training, so he is worried, but recommends looking into <i>UZURV</i>. This is a 	
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	<p>Portland-based TNC and they are committed to meeting all drug testing and background requirements. Also, recommends looking into Big Star.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott said he appreciates the pilot program and it sounds like it would be a good way to help increase access, and he hopes we can measure outcomes. - Barb.'s Question: Thought the county had a policy against Uber/Lyft, and asked if we need special permission to conduct a pilot program. - Lynn says that we are fact-finding, and not actually implementing the pilot as of now. - Irma explains that the county has changed the policy and we can use Uber/Lyft, at least for staff. - Scott's Question: Is <i>UZURV</i> for the general disability and aging population, and do you need to be a part of the TriMet Lift program to use it? - Dave said he can share information as this is in the beginning stages. 	
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11:10	BREAK – 15 minutes
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11:25 (20 min)	<p>Older Americans Act Area Plan updates and Next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marina provides Area Plan updates - The Area Plan was approved by the County Commissioners and we received good feedback. The Area Plan is being reviewed by the state's APD division, which could mean more work and we will include SACs members if that is the case. We have a new approach for the Area Plan with Community Services, and hopefully, SACs members approve of this - we will track and have Area Plan updates on a monthly basis. We want ASAC and DSAC to provide feedback on how we are doing with our goals. - Barb. Comments that maybe instead of sharing information monthly, maybe we do it quarterly. - Dave's feedback is that maybe we do a deep-dive of an issue every month instead of briefly discussing several goals. Dave has read two other Area Plans, and shares that he thinks we put together a wonderful plan. - Barb. asks if 211 refers to the ADRC? 	Marina Khalina
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marina responds and says that we hope they do. 211 knows of us, and we should find that information out. - Scott asks if we could provide goals with quick units of measure and then allow ASAC to request further information as an advisory council. - Marina adds that as members, you can bring us information from the community which is valuable participation in ASAC. - Scott said that he is not sure if there is additional work being done, however, ASAC is not an oversight council, but we are an advisory council. Maybe data would be helpful for us by advising either monthly or quarterly updates. Without necessarily creating additional work, data sets and data analysis would be helpful for us to make discussions. - Marina responds by saying that data and information can be quick and brief, and be on specific issues. - Nicole Thanks Scott, and says that finding a balance between data and an analysis is important. We need to focus on providing enough information to make a discussion. - Anne Johnson shares that we are developing a tracking tool to track Area Plan goals and we can create an analyzed summary to share. - Marina shares that we are in a developmental phase on how to present this data. - Dave stated that we all can tell ASAC what is on track and what isn't. He doesn't see it as a big data project just for us to share with ASAC. We are already doing the work, so just share that information. - Irma shares that we present our progress and updates to maintain transparency. 	
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11:45 (5 min)	<p>Invitations and Reminders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Older Americans Month Proclamation Wednesday, May 7th, from 12:00 - 1:00pm at the board meeting (Multnomah building) - ASAC Bylaws: Document has been created, and we can share at the next meeting. - Dave shared that it was provided to staff to finish up and 	Alex Garcia Lugo, Marina Khalina
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	to finalize. He hopes that we can share it with everyone to finalize at an upcoming meeting.	
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11:50 (10 min)	Public testimony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dave shares that the House Committee on Transportation of the State Legislature released information on the STIF funding and is wanting to increase payroll tax funding, and there could be a fiscal cliff fall because the funding is less than it needs to be in the future and they are funding with reserves. - Update from the State and they are not aligning with the Federal government, as people are realizing that Medicaid is a big deal in districts nationwide. 	Marina Khalina
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12:00	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	Alex Garcia Lugo
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12:00 pm	Adjourn!	
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Upcoming Meetings:

- Joint ASAC and DSAC: May, 2025, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Common acronyms used in ASAC Meetings – While we strive to avoid acronyms and jargon here are some you may hear in ASAC meetings

- ADVSD - Aging, Disability and Veterans Services Division, DCHS
- APD - Aging and People with Disabilities, Oregon Department of Human Services
- APS - Adult Protective Services
- ASAC - Aging Services Advisory Council
- BIPOC - Black, Indigenous, and People of Color
- DCHS - Department of County Human Services (Multnomah)
- DSAC - Disability Services Advisory Council
- LTSS - Long Term Services and Supports
- NEMT - Non-Emergent Medical Transportation
- O4AD - Oregon Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Disabilities

- ODHS - Oregon Department of Human Services (also called DHS)
- OPI and OPI-M - Oregon Project Independence (- Medicaid)