

Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division

Aging Services Advisory Council (ASAC)

Tuesday, June 17th, 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

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Time	Agenda Item Purpose	Lead
Attendees: Members	Kathleen Sullivan, Barb. Rainish, Lauren Moran, Dave Daley, Law	rence Macy
ADVSD	Deric Anderson, Lars Fujisato, Cheri Becerra, Marina Khalina, Melanie Altaras, Nicole Galport, Bri Eck, Jimmi Gray, Margretta Hansen, Jeremy Nguyen, Kennedy Concepcion, Irma Jimenez, Jacob Mestman	
Guests	Monique Torres	
10:00	Meeting open for sign on	Deric/Cheri
10:00	Opening – Zoom review and accessibility	Jacob Mestman
10:05	Land acknowledgment	Jacob Mestman
10:05 (20 min)	Introductions – Please share your name and pronouns Welcome to new members (LeeAn Monique Torres, Kathleen Sullivan)	Jacob Mestman
	<b>Prompt</b> : What is your favourite song?	
10:25	Agenda review (slide) – Call for public comment at the end of meeting.	Jacob Mestman
10:26 (34 min)	<ul> <li>Partner Presentation and questions</li> <li>Jacob started the meeting by saying that this has been a challenging year in regards to the budget and provided an overview of the budget process. This process included program offers, summaries, and a change to replace the outcomes portion of the budget with narratives. The department has had to make difficult decisions to accommodate a 12 percent reduction in the budget; however, the department prioritized its mission and values when making these difficult decisions. The Area Plan and its related budget have also been submitted. We lost our multidisciplinary team, which was nearly 100% funded from general funds. We did get funding for the Homeless Mobile Intake Team (HMIT), which is a great program that helps with housing. We did have staff</li> </ul>	

- reductions and we started the process by reducing vacant positions. We are waiting to learn more about federal funding, but we aren't expecting significant reductions from USAging.
- Marina shared that we are unclear on the details of OAA funding, which comes from USAging, and there is advocacy for OAA funding. Our safety net program in CS, which helps with one-time payments has been saved. CS did reduce a few staff members and we are working to restructure our workflows. There was a change to the agenda; the community partners will present next month (July) and will discuss district center services. We will talk about OPI classic/M instead, and about budget reductions.\*
- Melanie asked to confirm that the MDT will not be moving into the next fiscal year.
- Jacob responded that the contract will not be continuing, but they will still have some services.
- Dave said that they did work on OPI Classic/M on another board he is a part of, and they have some questions for us in the future. The State probably knew that they would exhaust the funds for classic and that it might disappear in December; however, O4AD is working on advocacy for the OPI Classic.
- Irma said we are still waiting to learn more about federal funding and there is a bill regarding cuts to Medicaid and SNAP benefits.
- Jacob shared fiscal information about OPI classic. The budget from 2023-2025 was just under \$3 million, and for 2025-2027, there is roughly a 70% reduction, which brings the budget to \$714,450.
- Margretta shared that the approximate cost per client for OPI Classic is roughly \$500 a month. We can't sustain that, and we are planning to reduce it to approximately \$400 a month for OPI Classic clients. We are also planning to check in with the partners about what resources they need to sustain their service hours and case management. However, we are allocating \$273,362 from general funds.
- Marina said that OPI Classic consumers will be assessed for OPI-M through our partners who provide OPI Classic case management. The community partners can't support OPI-M and the expansion of the

program/services due to administrative costs. Because of this, we are working to collaborate with partners to come up with new service deliveries to best support consumers. We are trying to establish readiness for OPI-M and for partners to develop new workflows.

- Barb. asked who the community partners are?
- Marina responded that the community partners are: The Community for Positive Aging, Friendly House, NAYA, NARA, IRCO, Impact NW, etc.
- Marina also provided an overview of OPI Classic/M, which is a program for consumers who don't qualify for Medicaid in home care. Both programs help with activities of daily living (ADLs); however, OPI Classic provides a limited amount of in-home care service hours.
- Dave said there are more than 300 people on OPI-M and there are several hundred people waiting for the transition. However, there is a concern for people who may not meet the OPI-M qualifications.
- Marina shared that OPI-M offers double the amount of hours for in-home services and supports (40 hours a week), while OPI Classic offers half that (20 hours a week). OPI-M has financial requirements and has a higher income limit than OPI Classic. Consumers also have to meet citizenship requirements, and can get home accommodation services, such as ramps at home, adult daycare, etc. These services are great for culturally specific partners.

# **Next Steps and Action Items**

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11:00	BREAK – 15 minutes	
11:15 (20 min)	<ul> <li>OPI and OPI-M updates</li> <li>Onboarding for members:</li> <li>Prompt: What would we want to have on onboarding, what do new members need to know?</li> <li>Jacob introduced the related prompt about new member orientation and asked what people would like to see happen during onboarding and what people would like to know.</li> <li>Monique shared that she is curious about what</li> </ul>	Marina Khalina

- interaction is allowed/approved with other members outside of the meetings and asked about any other necessary information regarding involvement with lawyers, bylaws, etc.
- Jacob restated the items Monique is interested in learning more about, such as foundational information, communication channels, procedures, etc.
- Dave shared information about the bylaws and recommended not looking at the old bylaws, but waiting for the new bylaws to be finalized.
- Kathleen asked about the Area Plan, and is also interested in learning where to find resources such as a guide post, a summary, or a reference/table of contents outlining procedures and other necessary information.
- Barb. shared that it might be helpful to discuss the differences and logistics between public meetings, councils, committees, work groups, boards, work groups, and reviewing the department org chart.
- Marina asked about the preferred delivery/format for resources, such as a packet, or links to the resources.
- Dave said the hardest thing to acquire is information on Medicaid, general funds, and OAA. SACs are formed by the OAA, and ASAC is joined with DSAC. Being aware of that is helpful.
- Jacob said there are roughly 40 different funding sources and there are a lot of rules. Learning the details would be helpful. Also, a list of the 32 programs and what they do would be great.
- Marina said it would be helpful for new members to review the Area Plan since ASAC had a lot of input and did work on it.
- Melaine said they could follow-up with onboarding, and suggested that parts of the new employee orientation guide could be used for SACs.
- Jacob said there is a new document for new commissioners that could be helpful for onboarding.
- Irma asked for feedback about the onboarding process.
- Dave said that we have a unique way of providing services in Multnomah County. Services can have a different delivery method by each partner, which could contribute differently in regards to disparities. Learning what services each partner offers would be helpful.
- Irma shared an idea of partnering new SACs members

- with experienced SACs members.
- Monique would like for us to review the area services map

#### **Next Steps and Action Items**

- Review foundation information regarding member interaction, communication channels, and procedures.
- Provide a resource guide.
- discuss the differences and logistics between public meetings, councils, committees, work groups, boards, work groups, and review the department org chart.
- Provide a list of current programs and what they do.
- Provide onboarding materials.
- Review area services map.

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# **Bylaws**

### Marina Khalina

- Marina reviewed the bylaws process and shared that we are ready to present the new bylaws.
- Dave shared that bylaws help to organize and establish the process of how we operate. County staff needs to review the work on the document, make sure it is workable, send it to legal, and then get back to ASAC.
- Marina said the bylaws have been reviewed by staff and there have been corrections. New members are welcomed to review the pending bylaws and can email any feedback to Marina Khalina or Deric Anderson.
- Kathleen asked if ASAC has a term limit. Each term is three years, but is there a limit for how many terms someone can serve.
- Marina responded that it is three years per term and we do not currently have a chair/co-chair. We do not have the condition of term limits in the bylaws. Provide comments to Marina regarding the bylaws for the next meeting by Monday, July 7th.
- Barb. expressed she would like the correct draft of the bylaws.
- Cheri stated that the correct draft is on the website.

# **Next Steps and Action Items**

 Provide comments/feedback to Marina regarding the bylaws for the next meeting by Monday, July 7th.

11:50	Public testimony	Marina Khalina
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(10 min)	<ul> <li>Lauren thanked Marina for her quick response regarding a client concern and appreciated the ability to connect with someone.</li> <li>Next meeting: ask new members about themselves</li> </ul>	
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<ul><li>Ask new</li></ul>	members about themselves at the next meeting.	

12:00	Closing  ● Reminders for reply to in-person or virtual	Jacob Mestman
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#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

ASAC: July 15, 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)