

Adult Care Home Program Newsletter

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Senate Bill 99: Required LGBTQIA2S+ Training

Registration is now open for the required LGBTQIA2S+ training course, Providing Inclusive Care: Training for Oregon Long-Term Care Facility Staff. All adult care home operators, staff and contractors must complete this free training course by Tuesday, December 31, 2024.

Certificate Validity: Your certificate is valid for 24 months from completion. It is transferable between adult care homes and facilities.

New Hires: All new staff hired in 2024 must meet the December 31, 2024 deadline. For staff hired on or after January 1, 2025, the training is a pre-service training requirement.

This online course is offered through Oregon Care Partners, and it takes approximately 1.5 hours to complete. This course provides 1.5 CEUs. To obtain a certificate of completion, each staff member must create their own account and take the training online as an individual. Be sure to print or save your certificate as a PDF. Starting Friday, November 1, this course will also be offered in Spanish.

The goal of this training is to ensure that all staff are equipped to provide safe, respectful, and inclusive care for LGBTQIA2S+ residents and those living with HIV. This training promotes a welcoming environment where all residents can feel valued and respected, free from discrimination.

This new required training is part of Senate Bill 99. Oregon Senate Bill 99 requires adult care home operators and staff to follow new rules to protect the rights of residents who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer,

intersex, asexual, two spirit or nonbinary. Additionally, the bill protects the rights of people with HIV.

Register now at [Providing Inclusive Care: Training for Oregon Long-Term Care Facility Staff](https://oregoncarepartners.com/app/#/class-details/3726), oregoncarepartners.com/app/#/class-details/3726.

Voting Update for Portland Residents

If you live in Portland, your ballot will look different this election!

Ranked choice voting is a new voting method that was approved by voters in Portland and Multnomah County. With ranked choice voting, instead of selecting one candidate, voters can rank multiple candidates in order of preference. City of Portland voters will use ranked choice voting to elect their mayor, auditor and city council on the November 2024 ballot. Multnomah County will start using ranked choice voting in 2026.

Ranked choice voting contests are counted in rounds. In round one of counting ballots, all first rank votes are counted. If no candidate receives the required number of votes to win, the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated and ballots for that candidate are transferred to the voter's next choice.

Multnomah County Elections created a video and webpage to help us understand ranked choice voting, and teach us how to fill out our ballots. To view the video and learn more, visit [Ranked Choice Voting \(RVC\)](https://multco.us/elections/ranked-choice-voting-rcv) multco.us/elections/ranked-choice-voting-rcv.

Just Ask: Who Must Take HCBS Training?

Question: My caregivers have taken the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) training. Do my housekeeper and other support staff need to take the HCBS training too?

Answer: Yes, all staff must take the HCBS training, even housekeepers, cooks and maintenance staff. Remember this is only required for homes that serve APD residents.

The training is offered for free in English and Spanish. Find both trainings at [Basic Training & Qualifying Test](https://multco.us/adult-care-home-information/basic-Training-qualifying-tests)
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Find Individually-Based Limitations forms, guidance, a fact sheet and more at [Home and Community-Based Services](https://oregon.gov/odhs/providers-partners/pages/hcbs.aspx), oregon.gov/odhs/providers-partners/pages/hcbs.aspx. Click on the Aging and People With Disabilities (APD) link.

Just Ask: Resident Wants Death With Dignity

Question: My resident wants to use assisted suicide to end their life. I don't want to participate in this or have them end their life in my care home. Can I issue a Notice of Involuntary Move?

Answer: No, a Notice of Involuntary Move cannot be issued because a resident is choosing their right to death with dignity.

You and your staff are not required to give the resident the medication to end their life or be a witness. Those tasks would be transferred to hospice or another medical practitioner. But the resident still has the right for death with dignity in their room.

Just Ask: Record Keeping B and Other Required Trainings

Question: I recently received my license as an adult care home operator. In the past I took Record Keeping Part B and other trainings in my previous role as a resident manager.

Do I need to retake these ACHP trainings?

Answer: Yes, you must retake all required ACHP trainings within the first year of licensure or approval, even if you have taken the courses in the past.

Question: I recently received my resident manager approval. In the past I took Record Keeping Part B in my role as a caregiver.

Do I need to take the course again?

Answer: Yes, you must retake this medication training again because you are in a new resident manager role now.

All operators, resident managers, and shift managers must attend Honoring Diversity, Emergency Preparedness Planning, and Record Keeping Part B – Medication Management within the first year of licensure or approval.

Additionally, those serving APD or MHA residents must take Recording Keeping Part A – Screening and Care Planning.

Those serving I/DD residents must take Fatal 4. (MCAR 023-070-608)

Training and Support

*Sessions are virtual unless listed as in person.
To register call 503-988-3000 or email
advsd.adult.carehomeprogram@multco.us.
Specify the training name and date.*

Information Session for Operator Applicants

Date: Tuesday, August 20
Time: 9 – 11 a.m. (Sign-on 8:50 a.m.)
Cost: Free

Provider Meeting

Topic: Guardianship and Requirements for APD Residents in I/DD Homes
Date: Wednesday, August 28, 1 – 4 p.m.
Cost: \$30 | 3 CEUs
Location: Sharron Kelley Room
600 NE 8th St., Gresham

Orientation Required for operator, resident manager and shift manager applicants.

Date: Thursday, September 5
Time: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (Sign-on 8:50 a.m.)
Cost: \$55

First-year required trainings for operators, resident managers and shift managers:

In-Person Record Keeping Part B, Medication Management

Date: Thursday, August 8, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: Preschool For All, Rockwood Market Hall, 458 SE 185th Ave., Portland, OR 97233

Date: Thursday, August 15, 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Location: Rockwood Library, 17917 SE Stark St, Portland, OR 97233

Date: Tuesday, August 27, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: Preschool For All, Rockwood Market Hall, 458 SE 185th Ave., Portland, OR 97233

Cost: \$30 | 3 CEUs *Class full through August*

Emergency Preparedness Planning

Date: Tuesday, August 13
Time: 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Sign-on 8:50 a.m.)
Cost: \$30 | 3 CEUs

Honoring Diversity

Date: Thursday, August 22
Time: 9 a.m. – noon (Sign-on 8:50 a.m.)
Cost: \$30 | 3 CEUs

Record Keeping Part A, Screening and Care Planning

Required for APD and MHA operators, resident managers and shift managers.

Date: Tuesday, July 9
Time: 9 a.m. – noon (Sign-on 12:20 p.m.)
Cost: \$30 | 3 CEUs

Need to Hire a Caregiver?

Did you know the ACHP has a list of caregivers who are interested in receiving emails about new job openings? We gather this information when caregivers apply for their role or submit an annual renewal.

To share information about a caregiver job opening in your adult care home, email Arthur Pittman, placement specialist, at ach.placement.referral@multco.us.

Include the classification of your residents (APD, I/DD etc.), city location of the care home, pay range, work schedule, any other job requirements or helpful information, and your email to receive resumes. Pittman will send out an email with this information to caregivers who have signed up to receive the ACHP job opening emails.

The ACHP caregiver email is not a guarantee that we can connect you with job applicants. We recommend posting the job online, and sharing the job opening with your personal and professional networks as well.