



Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division
Disability Services Advisory Council (DSAC)
 Thursday, June 26, 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: Members	Barb. Rainish, T.J Anderson, Jesse Gaurdipee, Carolyn Snell, Gail Skenandore, Caroline Underwood, Styles Carnley		
ADVSD	Anne Johnson, Alex Garcia Lugo, Lars Fujisato, Deric Anderson, Cheri, Charmaine Kinney, Nicole Galport, Jimmi Gray, Jewel Mone, Kennedy Concepcion, Bri Eck, Marcie Liesegang, Tatyana Gannotskiy		
Guests	Lisa Strader		
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 favorite movie?		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:20	Agenda review (slide) – Call for public comment at end of meeting.		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:35 (30 min)	Back to Basics ADVSD Organisation and programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Charmiane reviewed the structure of ADVSD, including the mission and vision of the division. A list of the programs was shared including the Division Director’s Office, which consists of the Quality and Business Services Team and the Project Management Team. Another program within ADVSD is the Adult Care Home Program (ACHP). This program provides licenses for adult care homes in the County and makes sure they provide quality care and services. There are 625 adult care homes that are licensed and inspected annually. Adult protective services (APS) is another program and it provides protection and intervention from harm, neglect, and the rights of adults 60 years and older and adults 18+ who have a permanent physical disability. Community Services and Veterans Services are funded through the OAA, and manage 18 contracts with district centers and culturally 		Charmaine K./ Tatyana G

	<p>specific agencies. Services include: OPI, OPI-M, nutrition services, transportation, and options counseling. The ADRC is a 24 hour line to connect consumers to basic services. Consumers and their families can call the ADRC, which is the primary connection point. Veteran Services offers additional services that other veteran offices offer. They also help advocate for the consumer and survivors to help them get the services they need. Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) is the largest program in the division and contains 6 branches at 5 locations throughout the county. LTSS services 60k+ Oregonians and helps with medical and SNAP benefits. LTSS contains an Eligibility Team, Case Management, Admin Support, Management, Transition and Diversion, and the Homeless Outreach Intervention Team. Public Guardian and the Conservator Office (PGC) obtains and implements court-appointed guardianship and/or conservatorship. The conservatorship is a legal relationship, designed to protect people who lack the capacity to maintain their health and safety. The Aging Services Advisory Council (ASAC) and the Disability Services Advisory Council (DSAC) are the two ADVSD public advisory councils. These two councils are committed to bringing diversity, lived experiences, and outreach. The advisory councils are able to provide recommendations and advocate on important issues affecting seniors and people with disabilities.</p>	
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11:05	BREAK – 15 minutes
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11:20 (30 min)	<p>OPI-M Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marice introduces herself as the program supervisor for OPI-M and Safety net. OPI-M is a federally funded program for adults 18+ that provides in-home services to people who need help to continue living independently in their own home. OPI-M is under the 1115 waiver and is approved for the State of Oregon by CMS for a 5 year demonstration. CMS is allowing Medicaid to expand services to the State through OPI-M. OPI-M started in 	Marcie Liesegang (CS)
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	<p>June 2024, by adding consumers to the waitlist, followed by including consumers losing LTSS benefits, and then publicly launched in March of 2025. Criteria for OPI-M includes: being 18 or older, having an income at or below 400% of the federal poverty level, have limited resources that do not exceed the cost of six months in a nursing facility, and needing help from another person with personal care tasks (SPL 1-18).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barb. asked what SPL 1-18 means. - Marcie responded by saying that it is a client assessment tool, which is how LTSS assess clients. The lower the number, the higher risk the individual is. OPI-M includes additional services, such as case management, up to 80 hours a month of in-home care, and does not have exception hours. 80 hours is double the amount of hours than OPI classic. OPI-M also offers adult day services, home delivered meals, emergency response systems, durable medical equipment, transportation, shopping, assistive technology, and home modifications. Multnomah County had over 300 consumers on the waitlist, which was the most in the state. Everyone has been assessed for OPI-M and 215 people have been approved in Multnomah County. People are able to apply through the ADRC. - Barb. asked if the idea is to get rid of OPI-Class, and was it funded through county general fund. - Marcie responded that OPI is funded through the OAA and includes State funds. OPI-M is federally funded. The State's vision is to keep classic, but with the hopes of having limited people on OPI-Classic, so the State can reduce funding for the program. - T.J asked if there are people who are under 18 and currently enrolled in programs who will be onboarded to OPI-M when they turn 18. - Marcie said many people in those programs don't meet the requirements, and we don't generally work with people under 18. - Tatyana said we don't work with people under 18, although we are usually contacted ahead of their 18th birthday to help with transitioning them into our programs/services. - Barb. asked if there is a prediction for how many people in Multnomah County will have OPI-M, and when does 	
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	<p>the 5 year demonstration waiver start.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marcie said the waiver started 1 year ago and we have had over 600 referrals. The latest prediction is over 5,000 people throughout the state. - T.J asked how is that information sent out and how do people know about this program. - Marcie replied that the state has done a soft launch and the news is starting to pick up. Also, the State is preparing materials for a large advertising campaign. - T.J said that there are students at home who need these services and he can spread the word. - Marcie said it is a public program and that would be great. The program is still developing and the state is still adding to the services. - T.J asked what some of the foreseeable problems are. - Marcie said that people are concerned about federal funding going away. There are also concerns in regards to staffing and logistics. Most of this is structured from reimbursement, and staffing is a big upfront expense. Another worry is that this is an in-home plan and there may be people who need more than 80 hours. - Tatyana said that a provider network is a concern, although it hasn't been an issue yet. - Carolyn asked about demographic information, specifically for natives. - Marcie said that they are still gathering data, although it is approximated that 2% of LTSS service consumers identify as American Indian or Alaska Native. - Jesse expressed that at places such as NARA and NAYA, they have not gotten the word out about OPI-M. He would like to see more representation and is wondering how we will improve on this. - Marcie shared that the Area Plan includes plans for further outreach and collaboration with Native American Tribes. 	
Next Steps and Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● OPI-M demographic information ● OPI-M outreach at native centers 		
11:50 (10 min)	Public testimony	Tatyana G.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reminders: Please let Deric know as soon as possible if you will need a cab and if you will be attending the next meeting in person. This helps us have an accurate count for food and to ensure you have transportation. 	
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12:00	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next meeting will be July at 10 am. There will not be a meeting in August. 	Alex Garcia Lugo
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12:00 pm	Adjourn!
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Upcoming Meetings:

- DSAC: July, 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)