



Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division
Disability Services Advisory Council (DSAC)
 Thursday, May 22, 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	Robert Trimble, Caroline Underwood, Gail Skenandore, Carolyn Snell, Jesse Gaurdipee, Barb. Rainish, T.J Anderson, Styles Carnley,		
ADVSD	Deric Anderson, Lars Fujisato, Cheri Becerra, Alex Garcia Lugo, Anne Johnson, Charmaine Kinney, Nicole Galport, Jacob Mestman		
Guests	Jewel Mone		
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: If you could travel anywhere, where would that be?		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:20	Agenda review (slide) – Call for public comment at end of meeting.		Alex Garcia Lugo
10:35 (40 min)	Video: History and Purpose of DSACs O4AD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - *Watched the film listed above (“History and Purpose of DSACs”). - The film reviewed the history and formation of DSACs and discussed their purpose, importance, and their role in advocacy. - The film discussed the different formats of conducting ASAC and DSAC meetings. The speakers in the film stated that DSAC meetings should meet separately from ASAC meetings at least quarterly. However, some agencies do meet as joint counsels. - The film discussed various disability programs, such as Oregon Project Independence (OPI), along with an overview of funding details. - Alex provided an overview and summary of the film and explained Multnomah County’s role in regards to the film and ASAC/DSAC. 		Alex Garcia Lugo

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11:15	BREAK – 15 minutes
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11:25 (20 min)	<p>Discussion, questions, regarding the History and Purpose of DSACs video.</p> <p>Next meeting video on Older Americans Act 101</p> <p>Newspaper recommendation Joseph L.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alex started a discussion for members to share their feedback on the film. - Carolyn shared that different groups working together to make things happen stood out to her. It displays great conflict resolution. - Barb. shared that the idea of having both ASAC and DSAC meetings together, followed by meeting separately after, could be beneficial for certain meetings/topics. - Caroline said that she didn't hear the topic of older adults living at home discussed, such as needing ramps or other accommodations in the home. - Charmaine shared that Ruth (in the film) really struck her and she did a great job of sharing her voice and showing how powerful advocacy is. The saying "nothing about us without us" also stood out. Charmaine continued to share that opportunities for advocacy are great. Behavior Health joins two committees and there is great benefit. ASAC/DSAC has overlap, although the difference is related to Medicaid. She encouraged everyone to continue using their voice. - Alex reviewed the commonly used acronyms, of which some are spelled out on the back of the agenda. Alex continued to explain the difference between OPI and OPI-M and shared that the state wants to move people to OPI-M, although people can choose (if eligible). - Carolyn asked when folks sign up for Medicare, do they automatically get on the OPI-M program? - Alex explained that there is an assessment and referrals for OPI-M. - Carolyn shared that in her experience, Medicare and Medicaid get paired together. - Alex said that case managers put people on a waitlist for 	All/ Alex Garcia Lugo
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	<p>reassessment and there is a priority/needs basis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carolyn asks if the 9 month reassessment is a part of this. - Alex said that OPI-M is different and Community Services carries it out. OPI is through LTSS, and some people prefer classic. - Carolyn asked if it is more cost-effective for people to move to OPI-M. - Alex responded, yes, and explained there is a savings for the state, although consumers get to choose. - Charmaine explained that OPI, now called OPI Classic program, does not require consumers to meet financial eligibility or citizenship criteria. OPI-M has income and resource limits and persons need to meet citizenship requirements. Less in-home care hours are available for OPI Classic vs OPI-M participants. More services are available for OPI-M consumers, for example, home modifications, assistive technology, adult day care and caregiver support services. - Barb. asked for clarification regarding her own experience with the OPI waitlists. She asked if she could stay on the waitlist for OPI-Classic even though she is also on the waitlist for OPI-M. - Alex recommended calling the ADRC and said that they can help with any follow-up concerns. They can also help with connecting with the case manager. Alex also stated that it is the consumer's choice on which program they would like. Alex mentioned that Joseph L. asked which newspapers DSAC members like to read and think would be helpful for DSAC recruitment. - Barb. recommended the <i>Oregonian</i>, and the <i>Willamette Week</i>, but maybe not the <i>Portland Mercury</i>. - Carolyn suggested <i>Street Roots</i>. - Gail recommended the <i>Portland Observer</i>. - Carolyn also suggested <i>The Asian Reporter</i> and newspapers at local colleges that have social work departments. 	
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11:45 (15 min)	<p>Public testimony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alex asked everyone to please let Deric know as soon as 	Alex Garcia Lugo
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	<p>possible, but at least 8 working days before a meeting if they will be attending. She asked members to please indicate if they will be attending either in person or virtually and if a cab is needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barb. would like the agenda at least 48 hours ahead of time. Barb. would also like for people to stop using the text chain that Cheri started a long time ago. - Cheri explained who to contact with questions (Deric or Cheri) and to please let us know ahead of time about attendance. - Anne shared that the PSU newspaper is called the “vanguard.” 	
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12:00	<p>Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 	Alex Garcia Lugo
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12:00 pm	Adjourn!
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Upcoming Meetings:

- DSAC: June, 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)