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Update on Out of State Placements of Children

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Serve Youth in Oregon

Updates

• Our 60-day plan

• Our long-term plan



Actions: Now through May

- Conduct safety reviews of each facility providing care to Oregon youth
- Carry out in person visits with each youth by DHS staff
- Procure level of care and need assessments on each youth placed out of state
- Ensure ODDS and Child Welfare coordination
- Partner with OHA to convene in state providers and engage Coordinated Care Organizations



Facility Safety Reviews

- On site safety reviews of each facility currently serving Oregon youth
- Licensing report which evaluate conditions of the facility in relation to Oregon standards
- Facility visits taking place now through June



Youth Visits

 Teams of experienced central office staff are visiting each youth out of state

Documented interviews for each youth

• Youth visits complete by end of May



Level of Care Assessments

- OHA contractor Comagine Health is conducting level of care needs assessments
- Clinical review, required level of care, medical necessity, safety needs based on clinical and case information
- Completion May 10, 2019



ODDS and Child Welfare Coordination

- 7 youth are eligible for I/DD services
- Child Welfare and ODDS together reviewed each child's needs and placement details
- Child Welfare and ODDS will continue joint planning to coordinate appropriate treatment and transition plans





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Next Steps

- Assess outcomes of level of care recommendations and ensure safe and individualized plans for each youth
- Utilize capacity and service matching research provided by the Office of Research, Reporting, Analytics and Implementation (ORRAI)
- Create a comprehensive plan to serve our youth in Oregon
- Partner with OHA, CCOs and our partners to build capacity and end the need for out of state placements







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