

Oregon Department of Human Services

## HB 3835: Background

Anna Williams, SOCAC Director Aprille Flint-Gerner, Child Welfare Director We've all heard "it takes a village to raise a child." But what does that village look like in Oregon today?



### **Oregon's Path with System of Care**



#### System of Care Advisory Council Safety Workgroup



# Lack of placements

## Instability and Crisis

#### Move from



Different rules for foster children

Inequities and unstable placements Narrow exceptions for out-of-state placements

То



Expanded treatment options with clear oversight

#### Access to Care

"As a family advocate, I support this 100%. I see parents every day who are struggling to keep their kids safe. Seeing kids die due to lack of service and placement is too much to bear."

-Annette Majekodunmi, SOCAC Member Representing families impacted by foster care or juvenile justice



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## Thank you