

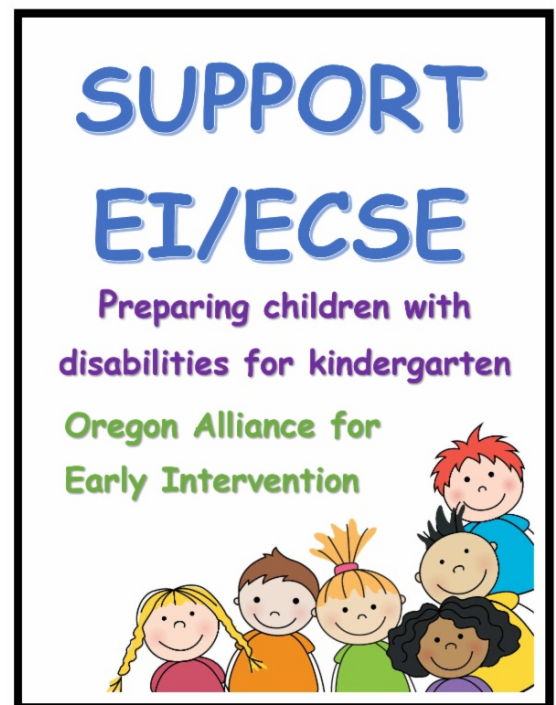


GO! BULLETIN

DD Advocacy Day at the Capitol focusing on EI/ECSE Services April 10th

We hope you will join us at the Capitol in Salem on **Monday, April 10th** for the next DD Advocacy Day when we will be focusing our advocacy on Early Intervention / Early Childhood Special Education Services.

The GO! Project and the Oregon Alliance for Early Intervention Advocacy Teams will be in Capitol Room 257 to provide information, training and support for your visits. Check in at our joint advocacy headquarters before and after your visits.



Please wear yellow to show support for the Developmental Disability Community!

Each Advocacy Day includes:

- 11 AM Training overview on the legislature and meeting your legislator
- Support to practice your key points for your legislative meeting
- Support to get to your legislator's office and debrief after your meeting

Please contact your legislators and plan to join us for a fun day of advocacy. Hope to see you there!

To find out who your State Representative and State Senator are, use this

Key Bill Deadline Passed

Last Friday (**April 7th**) was the deadline for bills to get scheduled for a work session in their "chamber of origin" (meaning House bills that started in the House or Senate bills that started in the Senate) or they died in committee.

Of the 376 bills the IDD Coalition was tracking, 161 died in committee. Legislators now have until **April 18th** to hold work sessions and pass bills out of committee in first chamber or they will die. Expect the next week and a half around the Capitol to be crazy! Committee agendas are packed and things are moving very quickly as legislators try to ensure bills they're sponsoring continue to move along in the legislative process.

Note: This deadline does not apply to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, other joint committees, the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue, House Committee on Revenue, and the Senate and House Committees on Rules. Bills that are assigned to these committees can be acted on until the end of the session.

Policy Bills and Hearings of Interest This Week:

Below are some of the bills we are tracking with hearings coming up this week. You can view the current [Coalition Priority Bills Report](#) to stay updated.

April 10th - Monday

- 1:00 PM / HR C: Senate Committee on General Government and Accountability Work session on SB 231A (establishes a Task Force on Student Mental Health Support).
- 1:00 PM / HR D: Senate Committee on Human Services-
 - Public hearing and possible work session on SB 948 (prohibits employment by publicly funded residential facility of individual found to have committed type of abuse that is disqualifying under rules adopted by Department of Human Services).
 - Work session on SB 1027 (prohibits Department of Human

- Services and Oregon Health Authority from seeking payment from amounts in ABLE account).
- Work session on **SB 263** (limits school district's ability to require students to participate in abbreviated school day program).
- Public hearing and possible work session on **SB 1027** (prohibits Department of Human Services and Oregon Health Authority from seeking payment from amounts in ABLE account).
- Work session on **SB 268** (requires Department of Human Services and law enforcement agencies to investigate reports of abuse that occurred at school or in educational setting or that are made by school employees).
- **1:00 PM / HR 343: House Committee on Judiciary** Work session on **HB 2992** (requires school district board and public charter school governing body to adopt and implement policy that requires volunteers to undergo criminal records check).
- **3:00 PM / HR F: House Committee on Education-**
 - Work session on **HB 2845** (directs Department of Education to convene advisory group to develop statewide ethnic studies standards for adoption into existing statewide social studies standards for public kindergarten through grade 12).
 - Public hearing and work session on **HB 2658** (establishes pilot program for purpose of increasing number of public school students who are served by school social workers).

April 11th - Tuesday

- **8:00 AM / HR E: House Committee on Human Services and Housing-**
 - Work session on **HB 2170** (establishes Office of Oregon Ombudsmen, containing Long Term Care Ombudsman, Residential Facilities Ombudsman, Foster Parent Ombudsman, Foster Child Ombudsman and Oregon Public Guardian and Conservator).
 - Work session on **HB 3262** (requires Department of Human Services, in collaboration with other agencies, to adopt rules related to prescription of psychotropic medications to elderly persons and persons with disabilities).
- **8:30 AM / HR F: Joint Committee on Ways and Means, Human Services Subcommittee-SB 5526, Department of Human Services "Agency Wrap-Up"**
- **1:00 PM / HR B: Senate Committee on Health Care-**
 - Public hearing on **HB 2723A** (requires Health Evidence Review Commission to evaluate therapeutic and clinical effectiveness of

hippotherapy for purpose of possible inclusion on prioritized list of health services provided in medical assistance program).

- **1:00 PM / HR 343: House Committee on Judiciary-**
 - Work session on **HB 2630** (makes changes to Oregon guardianship laws to assure adequate safeguards for respondents and protected persons).
- **3:00 PM / HR C: Senate Committee on Education - work sessions on the following bills:**
 - **SB 111** (relating to professional development for educators in early learning through grade 12).
 - **SB 221** (relating to educator preparation program requirements).
 - **SB 803** (directs Department of Education to award grants to school districts for support service programs, education innovation programs and education intervention programs).

April 12th - Wednesday

- **1:00 PM / HR D: Senate Committee on Human Services-**
 - Public hearing and possible work session on **SB 1058** (expands scope of investigations of abuse of persons with mental illness that may be conducted by Department of Human Services).
 - Work session on **SB 238** (requires Department of Human Services to pay agencies that contract with department to provide comprehensive services to adults with physical, intellectual or developmental disabilities amounts sufficient for agencies to pay 150 percent of minimum wage to direct support professionals).
 - Work session on **SB 265** (directs Department of Human Services to conduct monthly, in-person visits with child or ward in substitute care that include updates on academic status and progress).
- **3:00 PM / HR E: House Committee on Health Care-**
 - Work session on **HB 2398** (prohibits health care provider from billing medical assistance recipient except as provided by Oregon Health Authority by rule).
 - Public hearing and possible work session on **HB 3352** (establishes Task Force on Funding for School Behavioral Health Support).
 - Public hearing and possible work session on **HB 2897** (relating to health insurance).
 - Work session on **HB 2408** (appropriates moneys to plan, establish and operate new school-based health centers, to

increase student access to school-based mental health providers and to fund pilot program that uses trauma-informed approaches).

- Work session on **HB 2391** (requires Oregon Health Authority to submit blueprint for basic health plan to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services by December 31, 2017).
- Work session on **SB 828** (requires employer to pay employee equivalent of at least four hours of work if employee is scheduled or called in to work but, due to employer, does not work entire shift).

April 13th - Thursday

- 8:00 AM / HR 343: **Senate Committee on Judiciary** Work session on **SB 101A** (authorizes child abuse investigation on school premises).
- 1:00 PM / HR B: **Senate Committee on Health Care-**
 - Public hearing on **HB 2304** (adds peer support specialist, family support specialist and youth support specialist to membership of Traditional Health Workers Commission).
 - Work session on **SB 808** (relating to health screening testing for newborns).
- 1:00 PM / HR 343: **House Committee on Judiciary-**
 - Work session on **HB 2776** (authorizes appointment of guardian for person with disability who is in need of guardianship).
 - Public hearing and work session on **HB 3266** (provides that no person may use mechanical restraint, chemical restraint, prone restraint, physical restraint or seclusion on student in public education program).
- 3:00 PM / HR D: **House Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development-** Public hearing on **HB 2965** (establishes Task Force on Workforce Development for People with Disabilities).
- 3:00 PM / HR C: **Senate Committee on Education-** Work session on **SB 20** (updates references to federal education law to reflect passage of Every Student Succeeds Act).

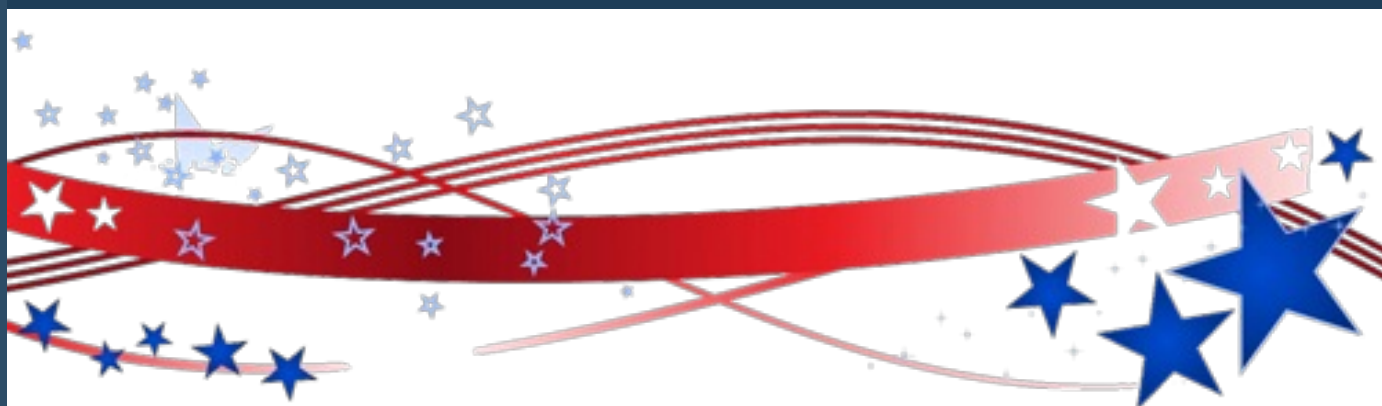
April 14th - Friday

- 8:00 AM / HR E: **House Committee on Health Care-**
 - Work session on **HB 2392** (modifies requirements for health

- benefit plan coverage of hearing loss treatments).
- Work session on HB 2839 (prohibits discrimination in organ transplantation).

Interested in tracking bills and hearings?

- Use the Oregon Legislature's [Capitol e-Subscribe](#) service to receive bill alerts for individual bills as they move through the legislative process, receive committee agendas, news from members of the legislative body and more.
- You can also watch or listen to live or archived [video and audio](#) of Oregon Senate and House chamber sessions and Committee hearings.



Attend Upcoming Town Hall Meetings with US Representative Greg Walden

Congress reportedly continues to consider changes to the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and cuts to Medicaid.

U.S. Representative Greg Walden plans to hold town hall meetings in Medford, Grants Pass, Bend, Prineville, Hood River and The Dalles this week.

Please attend an upcoming town hall meeting with US Representative Greg Walden and advocate for the continuation of coverage, protections and services available through the Affordable Care Act including the Community First Choice (K Plan) with federal matching funds.

Also ask US Representative Greg Walden to not cut, cap or otherwise restructure Medicaid. Mention ways that Medicaid Services help you

stay safe, healthy and active in your community.

Wednesday, April 12

- **Wasco County**, 11 a.m. to noon, Fort Dalles Readiness Center Assembly Hall, 402 E. Scenic Drive, The Dalles.
- **Hood River**, 3 to 4 p.m., Hood River Middle School Auditorium, 1602 May St., Hood River.

Thursday, April 13

- **Crook County**, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., Crook County High School Auditorium, 1100 S.E. Lynn Blvd, Prineville.
- **Deschutes County**, 5 to 6 p.m., Mountain View High School Main Gym, 2755 N.E. 27th St., Bend.

Friday, April 14

- **Jackson County**, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., North Medford High School Performing Arts Auditorium, 1900 N. Keene Way Drive, Medford.
- **Josephine County**, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Grants Pass High School Performing Arts Center, 830 N.E. Ninth St., Grants Pass.

If you can't attend one of the Walden town halls in person, you can sign up for telephone town halls at www.walden.house.gov.

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