

Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) Case Manager Classification – I/DD HB 2448

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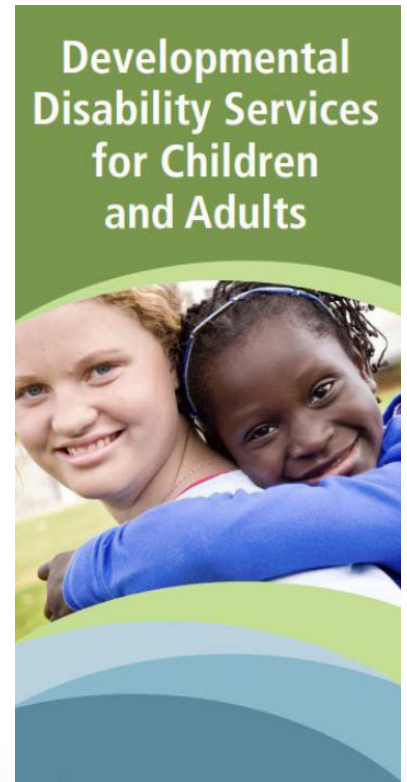
Oregonians thrive when we have a roof over our heads, a job that we love, and are supported by people that help us to live our best life. For those with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), a case manager can often be the link to finding all these important things.

Case managers who serve individuals with I/DD are a lifeline. They protect the health and safety of the individuals on their caseloads and ensure those with I/DD receive the services they need.

Unfortunately, the wages paid to an I/DD case manager do not always reflect the rising complexity of this work. This has led to high I/DD case manager turnover all over the state. A case manager's consistent presence in the life of someone with I/DD is extremely important, and a frequently changing case manager can be detrimental to the day-to-day life of someone with a disability.

One of the reasons wages are low, is the outdated job description the state uses to build the funding model for case management. It hasn't been reviewed in two decades and doesn't reflect the increasingly complex work that case managers perform daily to support individuals experiencing I/DD.

HB 2448 would require the Department of Administrative Services to review the classification, in partnership with I/DD case management entity representatives, every six years. Accurate wage calculations will lead to a living wage for these critical positions and bring more stability to the lives of people experiencing I/DD.



We urge you to support HB 2448!



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