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## FUND I/DD CASE MANAGEMENT

In Oregon, families and individuals experiencing intellectual or developmental disabilities (I/DD) rely on a network of Case Managers to support them in times of crisis as well as helping them set and attain major life goals when times are good.

I/DD Case Managers strive to protect the health and safety of individuals with I/DD, and help ensure that they receive the services they need and are entitled to by law. Case Managers are a lifeline for someone with I/DD. Whether it be finding a job, housing, or transportation to medical appointments, a Case Manager from a Community Developmental Disability Program (CDDP) or Support Services Brokerage must always be there when called upon.

Both the CDDPs and Brokerages are funded through the Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS). ODHS uses a workload model to determine how many FTE are needed to do the work required across the state. In recent biennia, the Legislature has declined to fully fund the services that CDDPs and Brokerages provide. In the 2023-2025 biennium, the CDDPs and Brokerages received approximately 85% of the funding needed to ensure that CDDPs and Brokerages were staffed to complete their required work.

With an ever-growing number of Oregonians who are eligible for these services, and an increase in the complexity of providing I/DD Case Management, this level of funding has unfortunately resulted in higher caseloads for I/DD Case Managers and rapid turnover at CDDPs and Brokerages throughout the state.

**An appropriation of \$6 million General Fund, which will draw down an additional \$8-10 million in federal Medicaid matching funds, would return these programs to 95% of full funding for the second half of the 2023-2025 biennium.**

Such an increase in funding will allow the CDDPs and Brokerages to better hire and retain a qualified workforce, reduce staff turnover, and provide the best possible service to every individual needing I/DD Case Management.

We urge you to support this request.