

Presentation to the House Interim Committee  
on Early Childhood and Human Services



## **Family First Prevention Act and Oregon's Title IV-E Prevention Plan submission**

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# Agenda

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1. Background
2. Funding considerations
3. Current prevention plan
4. Outcomes
5. Proposed new plan
6. Next steps
7. Q+A



# Every child deserves to be safe

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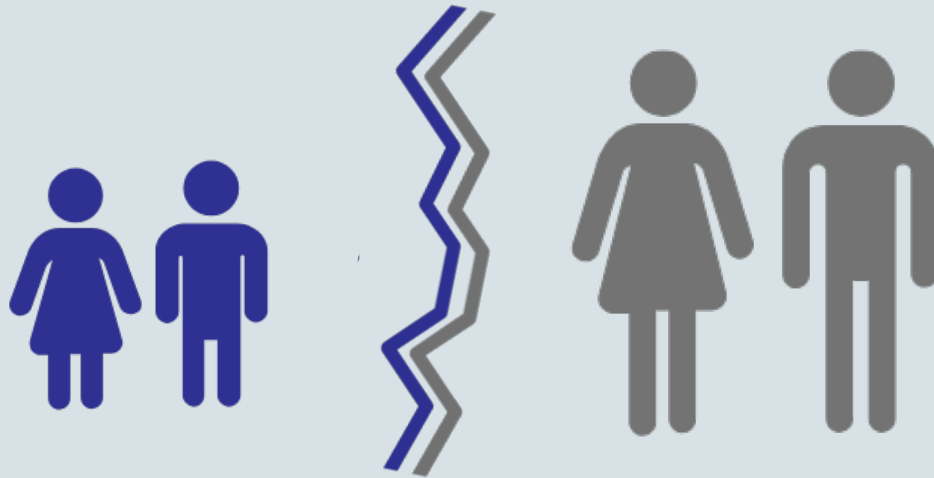
Children do best when they can remain safely with their families.

Keeping kids safe and preventing family separation are core values of the Oregon Department of Human Services.

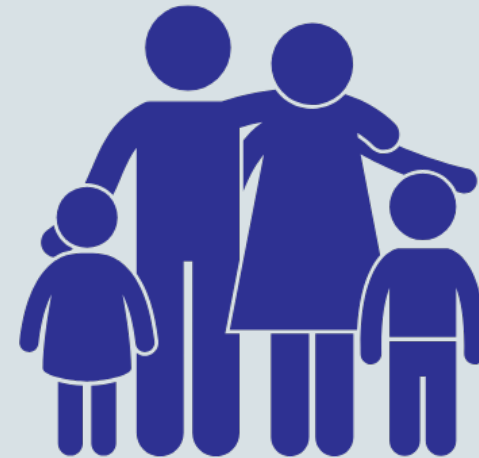


# Background: Family First Prevention Services Act

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**Before:** Funding only to support child removed from family home.



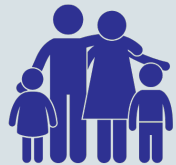
**After:** Funding to support services, prevent foster care and keep families together.

# Funding to support prevention services

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Title IV-E Prevention is a **funding stream** for eligible prevention services.



It supports the work being done to **help families and prevent foster care** across multiple agencies.



Family First broadens supports for Oregon's children and families by **expanding prevention services** that already exist in the state.

# Funding considerations: Federal reimbursement

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## Uncapped Federal Match



50% Administrative costs



50% Training costs



FMAP Rate (about 60%) –  
Service costs

- Ensures Oregon can maximize federal dollars and **expand prevention services** statewide.
- Creates a **sustainable funding** model that strengthens families and reduces foster care entries.

# Funding considerations: Service categories

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**Must be evidence based** and approved by the Federal Title IV-E Prevention Services Clearinghouse or approved Tribal-based practices.



Mental health



Substance use



Parenting



Kinship  
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# Background: Family First Prevention Services Act

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## Eligibility

- Children at imminent risk of entering foster care
- Youth in foster care who are pregnant or parenting
- Parents and kin caregivers of children noted above
- No income standards are attached to eligibility

## Requirements

Statewide five-year Title IV-E Prevention Plan approved by the Children's Bureau that meets all federal requirements



# Oregon's 2020-2025 Family First Prevention Plan

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**States and Tribal IV-E agencies are required to submit a five-year prevention plan to receive funding.**

**Oregon's first plan was approved on April 1, 2021.**

## **Eligible children and families**

- Involved with Child Welfare; but
- Children remain in home with parents/kin caregivers

## **Eligible services**

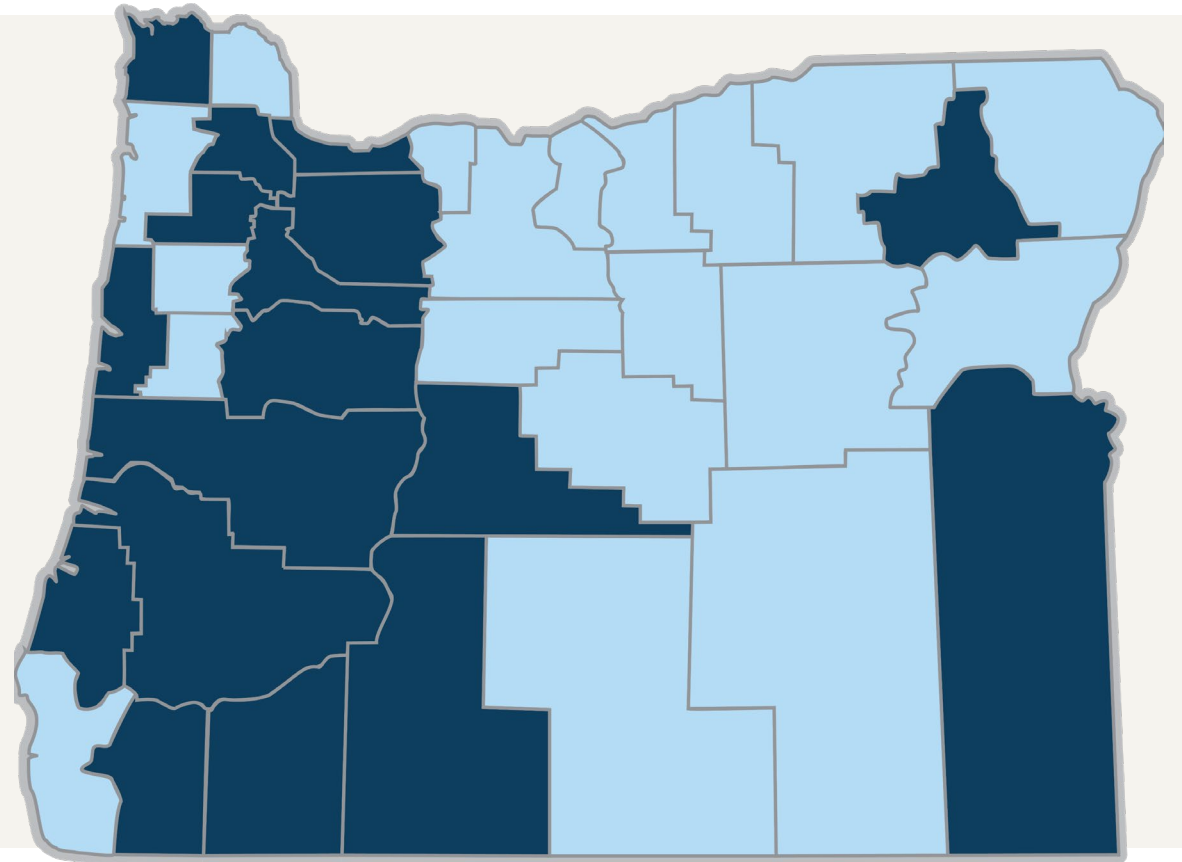
- Parents as teachers
- Functional family therapy
- Parent child interaction therapy
- Motivational interviewing

# Progress to Date

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- Family First Prevention Services available in 17 counties in Oregon
- Oregon Kinship Navigator services available statewide
- \$18 million in Federal Funds invested in Prevention Services in Oregon 2023-2026
- Child and family outcomes evaluation start in 2026

Counties with Family First services



# Development of the next five-year plan

## Proposed 2026-2031 Oregon Title IV-E Prevention Plan: Eligibility

### Currently eligible children and families

- Involved with Child Welfare, but
- Children remain in home with parents/kin caregivers

### Proposed expanded eligibility

- Involved with Juvenile Justice
- Served by a Self Sufficiency Family Coach
- Eligible for approved early childhood home visiting services
- Identified as eligible by Tribes



# Development of the next five-year plan

## Proposed 2026-2031 Oregon Title IV-E Prevention Plan: Services

### Currently eligible services

- Parents As Teachers
- Functional Family Therapy
- Parent Child Interaction Therapy
- Motivational Interviewing

### Proposed additional services

- Healthy Families Oregon
- Nurse Family Partnership
- Family Spirit
- Triple P
- KEEP
- Family Check Up
- GenerationPMTO
- Tribal Based Practices



# Next Steps

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Negotiate next Oregon Title IV-E Prevention Plan 2026-2031



Continue implementation of the current Prevention Plan



Launch evaluation and continuous quality improvement of prevention services



Expand capacity to claim Title IV-E Prevention funding for services and case management



# Closing

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## The Family First Prevention Act helps us:

- Build community capacity across Oregon
- Keep children safe
- Keep children with their families



# Questions



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# Thank you

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