

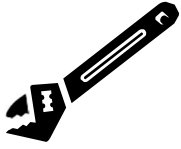
Powder River News

OCTOBER 2, 2026

ADULTS IN CUSTODY NEWSLETTER



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OUTSIDE PHYSICAL PLANT

BOILER OPERATOR



Are you interested in pursuing a career as a boiler operator?

The **OSCI Boiler Operator Apprenticeship Program** is hiring for fall 2026.

This is a 4,000hour apprenticeship and costs \$25 each month for 24 months for schooling.

Completers are eligible to test for the Boiler Operator License and earn a journey card.

Requirements to Apply

- Verified High School Diploma or GED.
- One-year clear conduct from incarceration date or major DR.
- Unfenced & Community Cleared, housed at SCI.
- 3 years and 5 years remaining.

Interested? Send a kyte to OSCI Physical Plant, Attention Arp. Include qualifications, why you are interested, and related current skills.

**PICKLE-BALL DOUBLES TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 2026
RESULTS**

1ST PLACE MORGAN, A. and ROBERT, J.

2ND PLACE PEN, S. and HORNYCH, L.

3RD PLACE MARTIN, T. and BEBEAU, C.

**Thank you to everyone who participated and a special
thanks to the Do Good Club for facilitating the tournament**



Releasing from prison soon? Worried about employment barriers due to your criminal background? We would love to help you.

You must be 6 months to Release to attend the class.

Send a Kyte to Ms. Suing if interested ASAP

**Come to our class this September 29th 9:30-10:30am here at
PRCF.**

Or contact our office for an application and write us at:

Opportunity Oregon
1045 Gateway Loop Ste C
Springfield, OR 97477

Our services are statewide and at no cost to YOU.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT ROAD TO SUCCESS

Communications Specialist

We are looking for TWO motivated, dependable, and organized individuals to join Transition Coordinator Team.

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants should be able to:

- **Demonstrate excellent communication skills**
- **Be able to show computer skills prior to hire**
- **Follow established policies and procedures**
- **Stay organized and manage assigned responsibilities**
- **Assist with classroom setup and preparation**
- **Work independently with minimal supervision**
- **Maintain accurate and organized files**
- **Provide respectful and professional assistance to ALL AICs**
- **Maintain confidentiality**
- **Demonstrate a positive attitude and willingness to learn**

HOW TO APPLY

**If you are interested in this position, please submit an application to:
Ms. Suing Transition Coordinator**

Along with your application, please include a brief list or description of the skills, experience, and qualities you have that make you a good candidate for this position.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

October 16th, 2026

On Sale and available starting Thursday 10/1/2026:

Holiday Card single for \$3.03

OR

Buy 10 and get 2 free

12 ct for \$30.30

(Reminder that the holiday cards do not count against your spending limit)



Send cards **out** to
Family and Friends.

ODOC cannot accept cardstock.

Thank you,

Commissary

Oregon Corrections Enterprises

Call Center Work Opportunity



learn a

The OCE Call Center provides AIC's with a unique opportunity to learn a marketable skill for when they return back to their communities. You'll learn valuable real-world skills that employers – like the companies that we call for – require in order to gain employment. You'll learn communication and sales skills, as well as learn how to use modern technology in a formal work environment.

Moreover, an AIC with 60 months left on his sentence can easily return home with \$8,000-\$10,000 in his pocket.

Apply by Application from your housing unit and send to IWP Kennedy.

Make sure to check that you meet the Call Center criteria.

To qualify you need to meet the following criteria:

- Need 4 months of clear conduct – (program compliant, attitude/behavior and work history are included in the criteria checks)
- Cannot have any ID theft or fraud charges (some over 10 years are considered based on severity)
- Cannot be in any programs that would conflict with the Call Center work schedule
- Call Center experience is desired but not required

Telephone agents start at 11 PRAS points + a Team Goal Award PRAS match (Double PRAS) You will also be eligible to receive an added bonus from the private company that you work for. The work schedule is Monday – Friday 7:20am to 3:40pm

APPROVED AIC Haircuts

FADES:



SHAVED/BALD HEAD



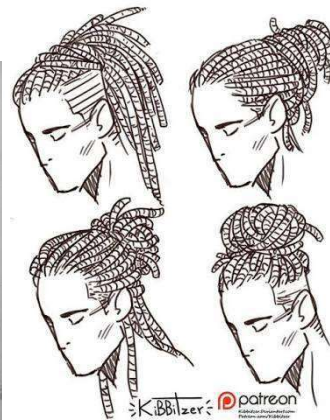
LONG HAIR



SIMPLE BRAIDS



SIMPLE DREADS



PROHIBITED HAIRCUTS/STYLES:

- HARD PARTS
- SHAVED DESIGNS
- MOHAWKS
- UNNATURAL STYLES (ANYTHING THAT BRINGS UNDUE ATTENTION)

RELIGIOUS APPROVED HAIRCUTS/STYLES ARE TO BE AUTHORIZED BY THE CHAPLAIN PRIOR TO RECEIVING THE RELIGIOUS HAIRCUT/STYLE.



POWDER RIVER CORRECTIONAL FACILITY CONTACT MENTOR CORNER



- ❖ The Contact Mentor roster has been updated and available for viewing in the AIC Newsletter. If you are interested in participating in the program and working with a Mentor, please send a communication to Ms. Hoopes, Contact Mentor Program Manager.
- ❖ Would you like to know more about AIC Council or have an idea that would benefit the AIC community? Talk to a member of AIC Council! The next AIC Council meeting is scheduled for AUGUST 2026.
 - **Your current council members are as follows:**
 - **Lamberton 3 37**
 - **Pen 3 49**
 - **Fowler 3 29**
 - **Maldonado 3 11**
 - **Hansen, M. 3 23**

Accountability:

What does accountability mean to you? For some, accountability is keeping a commitment or being responsible; however, accountability goes beyond simply maintaining a job or keeping a calendar appointment. It's about recognizing the need to acknowledge your part in the decisions you make, your relationships with others, or even the way you view yourself. Accountability is accepting that for every choice YOU make, in that moment of decision, you also accept the OUTCOME—GOOD OR BAD. It's understanding that YOU are solely responsible for YOU. If you think about it, personal accountability is a very in-depth and philosophical concept. Sophocles, a Greek playwright, once said *"It is a painful thing to look at your own trouble and know that you yourself and no one else has made it."* Accountability allows you to own your story and see yourself with a more introspective look. It gives you the freedom to dig deep, self-reflect, and find new ways to grow, internally and externally, in a positive direction.



Oregon

Tina Kotek, Governor

Oregon Department of Corrections
Headquarters
3723 Fairview Industrial Drive SE 200
Salem, OR 97302



Important Notice Regarding Name Change Requests

If you are considering a legal name change while in custody, please be aware that it will create challenges for you when you release. This could include:

- Not being able to release with a state-issued ID card
- Difficulty accessing public benefits (Social Security, student financial aid, etc.)
- Social Security will not allow you to change your name with them until you release and then you must apply in person to do so.
- Barriers to proving your identity for employment, education, or to get a passport
- Challenges documenting past education or classes if your transcripts and certificates are in a different name
- Time and expenses to work with different agencies to make sure your records match

Please consider these potential impacts carefully before submitting a name change request.

Melissa Nofziger
Legal Affairs Administrator
Oregon Department of Corrections

Kristina Rice
ODOC Ombuds
Office of Governor Tina Kotek

WELCOME!

What is the Contact Mentor Program?

In 2016, the Oregon Department of Corrections partnered with the Norwegian Correctional System and AMEND from the University of California-San Francisco, to focus on ways to normalize and humanize our correctional culture. Currently, PRCF has approximately 30 Contact Mentors who meet formally and informally with AICs. During these sessions, Contact Mentors guide and motivate AICs to seek a positive change in their lives to find personal success.

What is the purpose of a Contact Mentor?

A Contact Mentors support AICs during their stay at Powder River. Working together, the Contact Mentor and the AIC can discuss ways to improve personal accountability, to develop and build communication skills, and to work collaboratively to emphasize the importance of setting and reinforcing boundaries, both now and in the future. Success only comes when you are willing to address those thinking barriers that keep you from moving forward in a positive manner. A Contact Mentor can be an important part of your personal progression by helping YOU implement the steps to set and accomplish goals that will help you solidify a workable plan for your future.

Our Contact Mentor Program uses a fluid approach to outreach. Upon request, AICs are assigned a primary Contact Mentor; however, AICS may communicate and work with all Contact Mentors as needs arise. A list of all PRCF Contact Mentors is posted on your unit and in the AIC Newsletter.

PRCF Contact Mentor Program Information:

Information regarding the Contact Mentor program is provided during A&O upon arrival to PRCF; and in the AIC Newsletter which can be found on the tablets. Please take time to read the AIC Newsletter as it provides continuous updates and pertinent information for AICS.

Multi-Purpose has an Activities, Transitions, and Contact Mentor bulletin board. Information regarding these programs will now be available for viewing on the applicable boards in the hallway across from the library.

PRCF Contact Mentor Program Contact:

If you have questions regarding the Contact Mentor Program or the Oregon Way, or would like to participate in the program, please feel free to send an AIC Communication to Ms. Hoopes-MPB 505.



JOB OPENING!!!!

POSITION: PHOTOGRAPHER

IWP Kennedy is now accepting applications for the Photographer position. Experience with cameras is a plus.



OSHA-10 CERTIFICATION COURSE

AICs MUST HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO
COMPLETE THE COURSE 10-20 HOURS

CLASS IS \$59.00 PER AIC ONLY
CHARGED IF NOT COMPLETED

The infographic is titled "BENEFITS OF GETTING YOUR OSHA 10-HOUR CARD WITH CAREERSAFE". It features several sections with images and text:

- Keep Safe on the Job:** In the US, a worker dies every 96 minutes from a work-related accident and 2.8 million workers are injured annually.* Being aware of your rights and having a good understanding of workplace hazards can help you protect yourself while at work. (*Bureau of Labor Statistics (2022))
- Industry-Specific:** CareerSafe's OSHA 10-Hour General Industry course is one of a kind as it offers variants that are tailored to specific career pathways, providing more relevant and customized training. Options offered are Agriculture, Healthcare, Cosmetology, Automotive, Manufacturing, Culinary, Veterinary, and Public Safety.
- Learn at Your Own Pace:** Since the training is online and always available, you can proceed through the content at a pace and time that suits you. Courses are separated into small chunks, so meaningful progress can be made even in short periods of time. It's also easy to go back and review content whenever you like.
- Employer Preferred:** The OSHA 10-Hour credential is recognized both in industry and federally. Listing the OSHA 10-Hour credential on your resume will make you stand out from the crowd.
- Test Guarantee:** Our goal at CareerSafe is to empower people. We are so confident that our OSHA 10-Hour course will prepare you to pass the test that we allow anyone who doesn't pass to take the course again for free.
- Lifetime Credential:** The OSHA 10-Hour card is a lifetime credential — once you earn it, it's always valid. The completion certificate is immediately available, and OSHA cards are shipped within two business days of course completion.

At the bottom, there are two sample OSHA 10-Hour cards: "10-hour Construction Safety and Health" and "10-hour General Industry Safety and Health". The CareerSafe logo is at the bottom center, and the copyright notice "© 2025 CareerSafe, 0525-02" is at the bottom left.

To sign up – send a kite to Ms. Suing at PRCF.

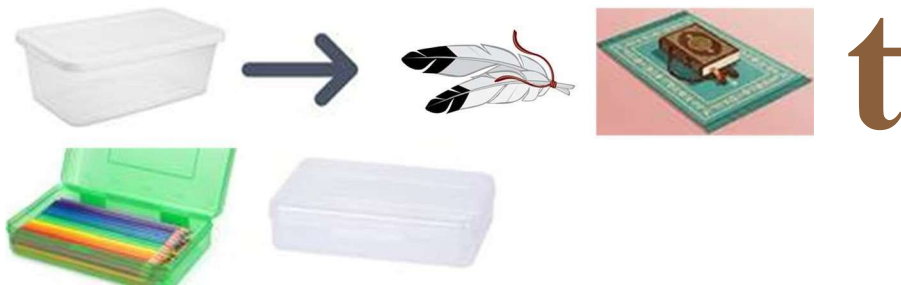
AIC Handbook. Section E. Bed Area.

10. The only articles permitted on the floor under your bed are shoes, 1 :Ritcher (bought off canteen), 1 (one) authorized legal box containing only legal material, 1 TV box, and authorized medical items. Any accidental liquid spills will immediately be cleaned by the owner. These items will be neatly kept and any damages to these items or any other damage caused by these items is the fault and responsibility of the owner. Guitars and guitar cases must be stored at the head of the bed if you are on a top bunk or under the bed if you are on a bottom bunk.

AICs are allowed 1 Legal Box under their bed and not to be stored in their locker. There are only legal materials allowed in the Legal Box. We will allow more Legal Boxes if the AIC sends a request to the Security Manager asking permission to have additional legal boxes due to active legal cases.



AICs will **not** be able to store the smaller storage boxes and religious boxes under their bunk but they can store them in lockers. Only religious items will be stored in the small religious tote/box as specified on the canteen sheet.



Shoes boxes are no longer allowed.



Yoga for Everybody

Come join our Yoga community! Two classes are offered:

Thursday: 6:30pm – 7:30pm Deep stretching (yin) class

Saturday: 9:00am – 10:15am Gentle flow class

Yoga is a mindful practice of self-awareness. Yoga can help calm the mind and reduce stress. The physical practice builds strength and improves flexibility. Come try out one or both classes. Please submit a kyte addressed to Ms. Hoopes. We look forward to seeing you. No previous Yoga experience required

Laura Donahue - Yoga teacher

Magazine and Book Reviews by Mailrooms

Books and magazines that come through ODOC's mailrooms are each reviewed individually to determine if they meet the standards set forth in ODOC's mail rule, which can be found at OAR Chapter 291, Division 131 "MAIL (AIC)".

Under OAR 291-131-0037 8(b), "Vendors that repeatedly send prohibited content to adults in custody after multiple violation notices informing them of mail rule standards may be restricted."

Currently, there are no magazine vendors prohibited based on this criterion. What this means is you can subscribe to any magazine you'd like, but each issue of the magazine will be reviewed as it arrives at the facility. If mailroom staff determine that a specific magazine issue violates the rule, it is marked in the system as "provisionally rejected" with the suspected violation noted for review by the mail rule central administrator. When magazine issues or books are provisionally rejected, they are held at each facility mailroom until the next steps of the review are taken. The central administrator will then either confirm the rejection or will disagree and the magazine issue will not be rejected. This is why a magazine issue may be ok one month, then the next issue rejected the next month.

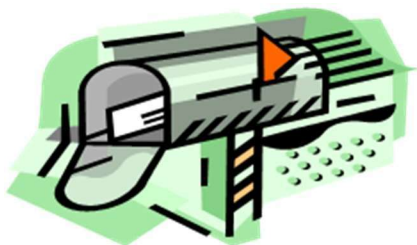
*There is an appeal process for these magazine issues or books that are provisionally rejected by the mailroom staff and confirmed for rejection by the central administrator. As written in the CD618A "Mail Violation Notice" the appeal is sent to **the Functional Unit Manager at the facility where the violation notice was written**. This is the Superintendent at the facility, who likely has a designee responsible for mail. The Functional Unit Manager has the latitude to*

review the material and determine if they want to allow a magazine issue or book that violates the rule into the facility they are responsible for.

ODOC recently made changes to the mail rule to help mitigate the smuggling of drugs into facilities. ***The rules regarding pictorial or written content did not change, they are the same.***

Note: Magazines change over time. Every new editor may result in differences in the magazine content. When attempts are made to "find the line" of what's ok and what's not, when boundaries are pushed to find where that line is, eventually the line is crossed. There are some magazines which previously had content that did not cross the line, but lately they have pushed across the line with what they write or the pictures they print. When that happens, more individual issues of that magazine end up being rejected. People may assume the entire magazine publication is banned when it is not.

As a customer or potential customer of a magazine, you must determine if you want to spend money on magazines that seem to be rejected regularly.



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	1	2 A&O Class	3
4	5 Turn in CD-28's for Tickets by 9pm	6	7 Pastry Forms Passed out	8 PRAS Payday Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	9 A&O Class	10
11 Pastry Forms Deadline	12 NO Tickets	13	14	15 NO Tickets	16 A&O Class	17
18	19 Turn in CD-28's for Tickets by 9pm	20	21	22 Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	23 A&O Class	24
25	26 Turn in CD-28's for Tickets by 9pm	27	28	29 Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	30 A&O Class	31

NOVEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Turn in CD-28's for Tickets by 9pm	3	4	5 PRAS Payday Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	6 A&O Class	7
8	9 Turn in CD- 28's for Tickets by 9pm	10	11	12 Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	13 A&O Class	14
15	16 NO Tickets	17	18	19 NO Tickets	20 A&O Class	21
22	23 Turn in CD- 28's for Tickets by 9pm	24	25	26 Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	27 A&O Class	28
29	30 Turn in CD- 28's for Tickets by 9pm	1	2	3 Coffee, Photo & Activity Tickets	4 A&O Class	5

IWP Position



NEW HOPE – POWDER PALS PROGRAM

Interested AICs are welcome to apply

New Hope for Eastern Oregon Animals (New Hope – Powder Pals) partnered with the Powder River Correctional Facility, Oregon Department of Corrections, since early 2011. A key focus of this work has been the ability to provide meaningful work for AIC's in training homeless dogs. More specifically, the program assists homeless dogs lacking obedience skills and behavioral issues that limit the animal's ability to be re-homed successfully. New Hope for Eastern Oregon Animals is a Private Non-Profit whose purpose is to improve the lives of animals through kindness, understanding and respect. Their purpose is to rescue and rehabilitate animals in Eastern Oregon, increase awareness of animal well-being through education, and encourage a caring and safe environment for animals. Work duties will include are but not limited to the following:

- Always follow the training program. Failure to follow the program will result in immediate removal from the program and may result in disciplinary action.
- Conduct or assist with scheduled training sessions.
- Conduct or assist with socialization of the animals.
- Follow the schedule of activities for the animals.
- Exercise animals daily.
- Keep a daily log of the animal's progress in the program.
- Feeding and watering following recommended daily amounts.
- Remove solid waste from kennel areas (inside and outside), and any other area as needed using approved Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- Clean kennel area (inside and outside) using appropriate chemicals and PPE.
- Must be willing to work in a variety of weather conditions.

Qualifications for opportunity to apply:

1. In compliance with DOC Case Plan
2. No major misconduct reports within the last 6 months
3. Minimum of 6-8 months remaining on sentence
4. No history of animal neglect or abuse
5. Willingness to work as a team, open to new training ideas, willingness to make a difference to an animal.
6. Be motivated for change and have a good attitude.
7. Must be able to lift 50 lbs.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE SEND AN APPLICATION FORM TO THE IWP COORDINATOR MR. KENNEDY

Powder River Correctional Facility

Contact Mentor List

PRCF Contact Mentor Program Contact Information: If you have questions regarding the Contact Mentor Program or the Oregon Way, or if you would like to participate in the program and be assigned to a mentor, please feel free to send an AIC Communication to Ms. Hoopes.

Security		New Directions Northwest
Lt. Robbins		
Lt. Gray		
Sgt. Crawford		
Sgt. Erickson		
Sgt. Delve		
Officer Chavez		Administration
Officer Easterday		
Officer Endersby		Mr. Folden—Physical Plant Manager
Officer Gonzalez		Mr. Thomas—Physical Plant
Officer Herrick		Ms. DeVore--Administration
Officer Hill		Ms. Geddes—Correctional Rehabilitation Mgr.
Officer Hollingsworth		Ms. Hoopes—Correctional Counselor
Officer Kisor		
Officer Leal		
Officer Lefever		
Officer Lopez		
Officer Spriet, S		
Officer Thompson		
Officer Willmarth		
Officer Bauman		



Financial Services

Informational Briefing

Savings Options for Adults in Custody

What is the Transitional Savings Account (TRSA)?

- Funds in the TRSA are protected from debt/obligation collection and garnishment.
- Established per SB844/ORS 423.105 as a means for AIC's to save funds for release from ODOC custody.
- 5% of each eligible deposit is applied into an AIC's TRSA until the account reaches \$500.
- AIC's may elect to transfer funds into their TRSA by submitting a Trust Account Transfer Request form (CD1832) up to \$500.
- AIC's may continue a 5% deduction of their eligible deposits beyond \$500 if court-ordered financial obligations (COFOs) are satisfied.
- Funds in the TRSA are not available to AIC's until reentry into the community (*no exceptions*).

What is the General Savings Account (GS)?

- Funds in the GS Trust Account are not protected from debt/obligation collection or garnishment.
- Established as an optional means for AIC's to save funds outside of the TRSA.
- AIC's may elect to transfer funds into the GS Trust Account once per calendar month by submitting a Trust Account Transfer Request Form (CD1832).
- Funds in this account are not available until the AIC releases from ODOC custody; an exception may be granted by the CFO or designee per OAR 291 Div. 158.

What About External Savings Accounts?

AIC's may have accounts with external banking institutions however, ODOC staff are not able to facilitate. AIC's may not have unauthorized money items in their possession (such as checks).

Note: Trust Account Transfer Request Forms (CD1832) are available on AIC housing units or through Business Services. If the amount being transferred is excessive, it will be limited. The minimum transfer amount is \$5.00.

Please address any questions to Business Services by submitting an AIC communication (available electronically on the tablet).

Questions?

AICs may submit an AIC Communication form to Business Services (electronic communication option preferred & available on the tablet). Friends and Family may submit questions to dldoctrustinfo@doc.state.or.us.



Financial Services

Informational Briefing

*Processing AIC Financial Transactions
Group Activity Events & Request For Withdrawal of Funds (CD28s/CD28Ps)*

This briefing is intended to provide Adults in Custody (AICs) & Department staff with a general overview of what to expect when withdrawal requests are submitted for processing.

Plan Ahead

CD28s/CD28Ps must be submitted for processing two weeks prior to an event per DOC Policy 30.1.6, AIC Revenue Generating Activities and Programs. This ensures appropriate levels of service and time to process the CD28s/CD28Ps and collect funds prior to an event.

Per OAR 291-145, Group Activities, AICs with insufficient funds will not be allowed to take part in a group activity that has a cost associated with participation.

**Business Services does not hold
CD28/CD28Ps.**

CD28s/CD28Ps are processed upon receipt by the Business Office. If the workload is high, processing will typically occur within five business days of receipt.

If a CD28/CD28P needs to be processed on or after a specific date, AICs and facilitating staff should submit their requests accordingly.

Responsible Financial Management

When an AIC provides their signature and submits a CD28/CD28P for processing, the AIC is consenting to the withdrawal of funds from their trust account at the time of submission.

The AIC is responsible for tracking and confirming the availability of sufficient funds in their trust account. This includes accounting for any outstanding or pending financial transactions, including, but not limited to, communications transfers, commissary orders, and check requests.

Failure to account for sufficient available funds and/or pending transactions may result in CD28s/CD28Ps being returned due to insufficient funds.

*****IMPORTANT*****

AIC Trust Account information is protected information and should only be accessed by authorized Financial Services staff with access to the Department's AIC Banking System.

Questions?

AICs may submit an AIC Communication form to Business Services (electronic communication option preferred & available on the tablet). Friends and Family may submit questions to dldoctrustinfo@doc.state.or.us.

FS AIC Info Briefing Aug 2025



Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA Information)

The Oregon Department of Corrections (ODOC) has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse, sexual harassment and for retaliation for reporting an incident. You may report in person to any staff, through an AIC communication, through the grievance system, by calling the PREA hotline by making a language selection, then dialing 91 from any AIC phone.

Filing an Anonymous PREA Report

If you are uneasy about filing a PREA allegation, you may file an anonymous report with an outside agency. You may write to: Governor's Constituent Services Office 900 Court Street NE, Suite 254 Salem, Oregon 97301

Please indicate in the beginning of your letter you are filing a PREA allegation, and you are requesting to remain anonymous. The Governor's Office will refer all anonymous allegations to the DOC PREA Coordinator to assure an investigation is completed based off the information that is provided.

Opposite Gender Viewing/Announcements

Opposite gender staff announcement themselves when entering a housing unit by ringing a bell. This must be done any time the status quo of the gender supervision on a housing unit changes (if there is already an opposite gender staff on the unit then there is not needed to re-announce). When you hear the doorbell, opposite gender staff will be entering the housing unit so please make sure you are covered up appropriately.

It is also important you undress in the appropriate locations. If you are in a bunk area, there are cameras throughout the facility so the designated changing/bathroom areas are the only areas you should be without undergarments. Opposite gender viewing may happen incidentally when staff are conducting routine cell checks. You can minimize this by keeping aware of the gender of supervision in your housing unit and ensuring you cover up when possible.

Community-Based PREA Advocacy (Support) Program

ODOC has partnered with community based, confidential advocates of sexual abuse victims to provide services to AICs. AICs at ODOC who have experienced sexual abuse may reach a community-based advocate by making a language selection, entering your AIC PIN, then press 0*711 AIC telephone systems, or may request a private call through the PREA Compliance Manager at the facility. Advocates provide victims of sexual abuse information about their options, resources,

information, and emotional support. There is no charge for calls to advocates.

The community-based advocacy crisis line is for individuals needing assistance coping with sexual abuse related issues and should not be used for other purposes.

Telephone calls and mail with community-based advocacy centers is considered privileged communication and will be handled like legal calls/official mail. All advocacy calls are not monitored or recorded.

Advocates provide confidential support and crisis intervention, inform you about the investigation and medical examination process, educate you about healing from sexual abuse and offer resources and referrals.

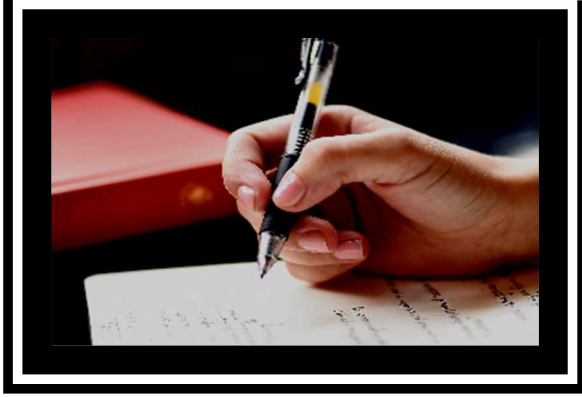
Advocates will not tell you what to do, communicate with the institution unless you request them to do so and sign a release and will not provide legal advice.

Community-based advocacy centers provide sexual abuse support to people of all genders. Community-based advocates will not report unless you request them to do so and if you sign a release of information.

Just Detention International Headquarters is a national advocacy resource and can be reached at: 3325 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 340 Los Angeles, CA 90010

If you have any other questions regarding PREA, you may ask any staff member, write the PREA Compliance Manager at your institution, or you may write:

Ericka Sage PREA Coordinator Oregon Department of Corrections 3723 Fairview Industrial Drive, SE Salem, OR 97302



VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAMS

RESPONSIBILITY

LETTER BANK

The Responsibility Letter Bank is a structured letter writing process that provides adults in custody (AIC) with the opportunity to demonstrate responsibility for their crimes and express remorse for the harm they may have caused.

The program provides crime victims/survivors with the choice to receive information in a safe manner.

- ◆ AIC's may initiate the process by applying to participate in the program
- ◆ Crime victims/survivors may inquire with Victim Services to find if they have a letter available for them
- ◆ Victims are not contacted about the availability of a letter if they have not registered with the Bank through Victim Services
- ◆ Victims decide whether or not they wish to receive a responsibility letter and whether or not the AIC is informed that the victim received or read the letter
- ◆ Participation does not constitute permission for the AIC to make additional contact
- ◆ Victims may choose to respond to a responsibility letter through the program, however, further correspondence requires the approval to participate in the FDP
- ◆ Letters will be reviewed by the Victim Services Program for appropriateness
- ◆ Accepted AIC letters will be deposited in the Responsibility Letter Bank maintained by Victim Services
- ◆ Letters are voluntary and will not affect an AIC's good time, release date, or post-prison conditions

To request additional information about the Responsibility Letter Bank, please contact Victim Services at:

DOC Headquarters
Victim Services- Responsibility Letter Bank
3723 Fairview Industrial Drive SE Suite 200
Salem, OR 97302-4975

From the Administrative Rules Program:

Below is the list of status changes made to DOC administrative rules since 6/26/2026.

PROPOSED RULES:

291-171 Grievance Review System (Community Corrections)

- Amends rule to modernize terminology, clean up language, remove gendered terms, align procedures with current practice, and revise or eliminate outdated definitions. A key amendment also clarifies that “psychotropic medication” includes required lab monitoring, such as periodic blood tests.
- **Comment Period:** Comments must be received by the Rules Office before 12:00PM (noon) on 9/18/2026.

PERMANENT RULES:

291-048 Mental Health Special Housing

- Amends rule to clarify or improve consistency, remove gendered language, update and align definitions and processes with current therapeutic and operational practices, replace “inmate” with “adult in custody,” and adopt a new rule establishing programming levels for Behavioral Health Units.
- **Effective:** 8/1/26

291-082 Assessment, Assignment, and Supervision of AICs for Work Assignments and Unfenced Minimum Housing

- Amends rule to update eligibility criteria for outside-the-perimeter work and lower-security housing, revise the definition of escape, and update and clarify classification criteria, terminology, and processes, along with general clean-up edits and removal of duplicative materials.
- **Effective:** 8/1/26

291-104 Classification

- Amends rule to update eligibility criteria for outside-the-perimeter work, revise the definition of escape and related custody thresholds, remove obsolete ICE-related overrides, and update classification criteria, terminology, and definitions. Also clarify the Classification Manager’s role and refine key custody-classification processes.
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Flu and COVID Vaccine Clinics

It is that time again. Beginning in October, we'll be offering influenza (flu) and COVID vaccines to everyone. You will be approached by Health Services and asked if you would like a vaccine. We encourage you to say yes.

Both flu and COVID are highly contagious viruses that can lead to serious health issues. They spread through respiratory droplets and can be passed on even before symptoms appear. Vaccines work by making the body's immune system stronger and helping it to recognize and fight viruses. Vaccines reduce the risk of getting sick, and if you do get sick the symptoms are likely to be much milder and shorter in duration. Getting vaccinated helps to not spread flu or COVID to others.

The side effects of vaccines are usually mild, such as tiredness or a sore arm that generally last a day or two. Receiving a yearly vaccine is important, as protection wanes and viruses change over the course of a year, and so newer vaccines are needed to fight them. Getting vaccinated does not give you the illness, the vaccines use inactivated virus components to train your immune system safely. You can receive both flu and COVID vaccines at the same visit, but they will be given in two separate injections. Getting vaccinated is the single most effective way to avoid becoming sick from flu and COVID viruses.

If you have questions regarding vaccines, you are welcome to ask your health care provider.

Clínicas de Vacunación contra la Influenza y el COVID-19

Ha llegado nuevamente esa época del año. A partir de octubre, ofreceremos vacunas contra la influenza (gripe) y el COVID-19 a todas las personas. El personal de Servicios de Salud se acercará a usted y le preguntará si desea recibir una vacuna. Le recomendamos que diga que sí.

Tanto la influenza como el COVID-19 son virus altamente contagiosos que pueden causar problemas de salud graves. Se transmiten a través de gotitas respiratorias y pueden contagiarse incluso antes de que aparezcan los síntomas. Las vacunas funcionan fortaleciendo el sistema inmunitario del cuerpo y ayudándolo a reconocer y combatir los virus. Las vacunas reducen el riesgo de enfermarse y, si usted se enferma, es probable que los síntomas sean mucho más leves y duren menos tiempo. Vacunarse también ayuda a evitar la propagación de la influenza o el COVID-19 a otras personas.

Los efectos secundarios de las vacunas generalmente son leves, como cansancio o dolor en el brazo, y suelen durar uno o dos días. Recibir una vacuna cada año es importante, ya que la protección disminuye con el tiempo y los virus cambian a lo largo del año, por lo que se necesitan vacunas más nuevas para combatirlos. Vacunarse no le causa la enfermedad; las vacunas utilizan componentes inactivados del virus para entrenar al sistema inmunitario de manera segura.

Puede recibir las vacunas contra la influenza y el COVID-19 durante la misma visita, pero se administrarán mediante dos inyecciones separadas. Vacunarse es la forma más eficaz de evitar enfermarse a causa de los virus de la influenza y el COVID-19.

Si tiene preguntas sobre las vacunas, no dude en consultar con su proveedor de atención médica.