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**Number: SPD-AR-10-019**  
**Issue Date: 3/31/2010**

**Topic:** Developmental Disabilities

**Due Date:**

**Subject:** Personal Support Workers, HB 3618

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees                     | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging                | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families         | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors and People with Disabilities  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): Brokerage<br>Directors, SPD Adult Support Service<br>Coordinators, Regional Coordinators |

**Action Required:**

HB 3618 was passed by the Oregon Legislature during the February, 2010 special session. HB3618 is directed to "Personal Support Workers" who are defined as employees hired by the client or the client's family or guardian and paid with public funds. For Developmental Disabilities, this includes employees working in the following programs: Adult Support Services, Adult In-Home Comprehensive Services, Children's Intensive In Home Services, Designated In Home Services for Children, Family Support, and Personal Care. The bill changes the employee designation so that they will be eligible for workers compensation as of January, 2011. The bill also directs the Department to collect certain information on Personal Support Workers and provide this information to parties that request it. That information is targeted to be collected by October, 2010. Additional bill implementation will be the creation of a subcommittee to the Home Care Commission for people with developmental disabilities and mental health, and offering training to Personal Support Workers.

The Department has begun working on an implementation time line. Collecting information will be the first priority. We will be communicating soon as to what information will be needed and how to submit. It is necessary that this information be summarized, coordinated and made available according to the expectations set forth in the legislation. Therefore, it is important that if any organization gets independent requests asking for this information, that the Department be notified before the organization acts on that request.

Please contact Mike Maley [mike.j.maley@state.or.us](mailto:mike.j.maley@state.or.us) or Corissa Neufeldt [corissa.neufeldt@state.or.us](mailto:corissa.neufeldt@state.or.us) if you get such a request.

**Reason for Action:**

**Field/Stakeholder review:**     Yes     No

**If yes, reviewed by:**

*If you have any questions about this action request, contact:*

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