



# SB 824: Behavioral Health Parity Rule Advisory Committee Meeting



Department of Consumer  
and Business Services

# What Is SB 824?

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- Passed in the 2025 legislative session
- Restores and makes permanent quantitative reporting requirements for behavioral health parity
- Makes carrier-submitted data to DCBS confidential



# Why Is Rulemaking Needed?

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- Previous quantitative reporting requirements sunsetted in 2025
- SB 824 reinstates these requirements permanently
- New law requires all reported data to be confidential (ORS 705.137)
- DCBS must update rules to reflect these statutory changes

# What Are the Main Rule Changes?

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- Removes language that would sunset quantitative reporting
- Makes quantitative and nonquantitative data reporting permanent
- Adds a confidentiality provision for all reported data
- Updates rule citations and statutory authority

# Two Options for Today's Rule Discussion

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- Option 1
  - Clarifies some of the common questions we've received from carriers about annual reporting requirements. Since we continue to get questions, and we are opening the rule, this is a good opportunity to make needed clarifications directly in rule.
- Option 2
  - Makes only the required changes from the new statute: removing the sunset language and adding the new confidentiality provision.

# Rulemaking Process & RAC Timeline

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- Today: Review SB 824 and proposed rule updates
- Collect feedback from RAC members
- Revise rules as needed and circulate updated drafts
- File proposed rules for public comment



## Next Steps

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- Submit written feedback by July 5<sup>th</sup>, to 2025 to DCBS
- DCBS will review and incorporate feedback as appropriate
- Proposed rule will be filed for public comment
- Notice will be sent out when the rule is open for public comment

# Thank You & Contact Information

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- Thank you for your participation and feedback!

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