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# Youth Transition Learning Collaborative

**Oregon Center for Children and  
Youth with Special Health Needs  
(OCCYSHN)**

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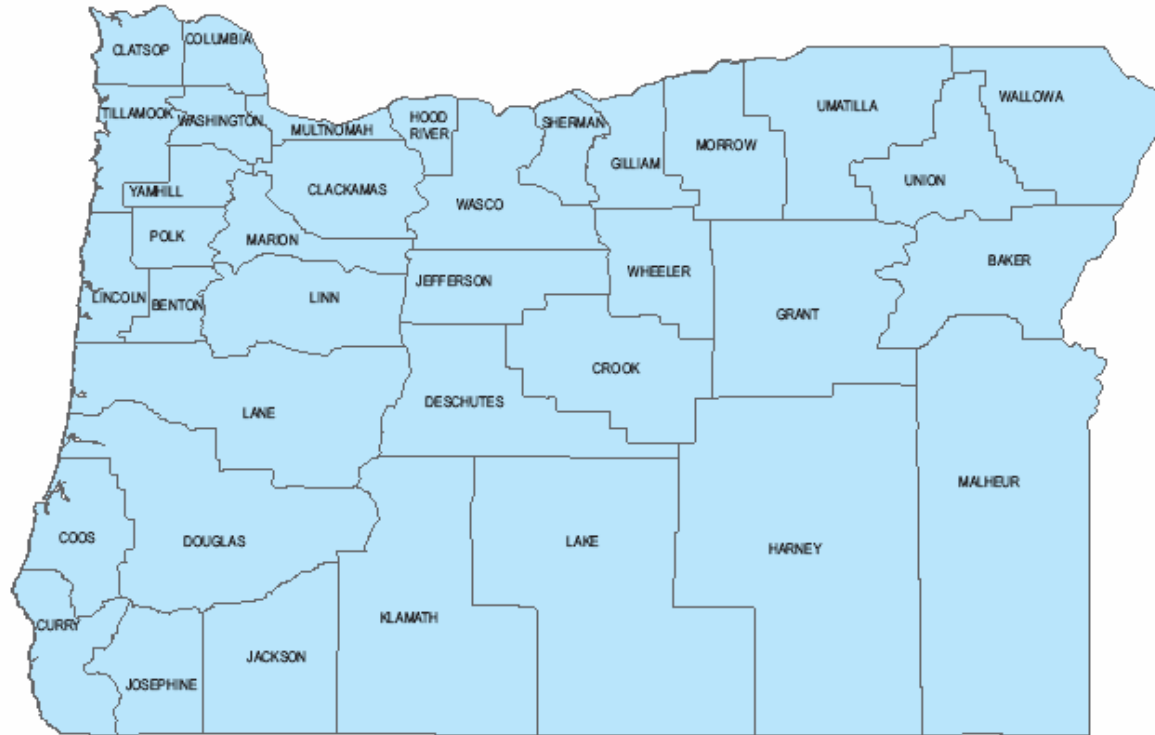


# Oregon Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Needs (OCCYSHN)(Title V)

- Community Integration Grant
- Provided Evidence Based information on promising practice in youth transition to 6 county teams
- Charge the teams to collaborate and improve services in their community.



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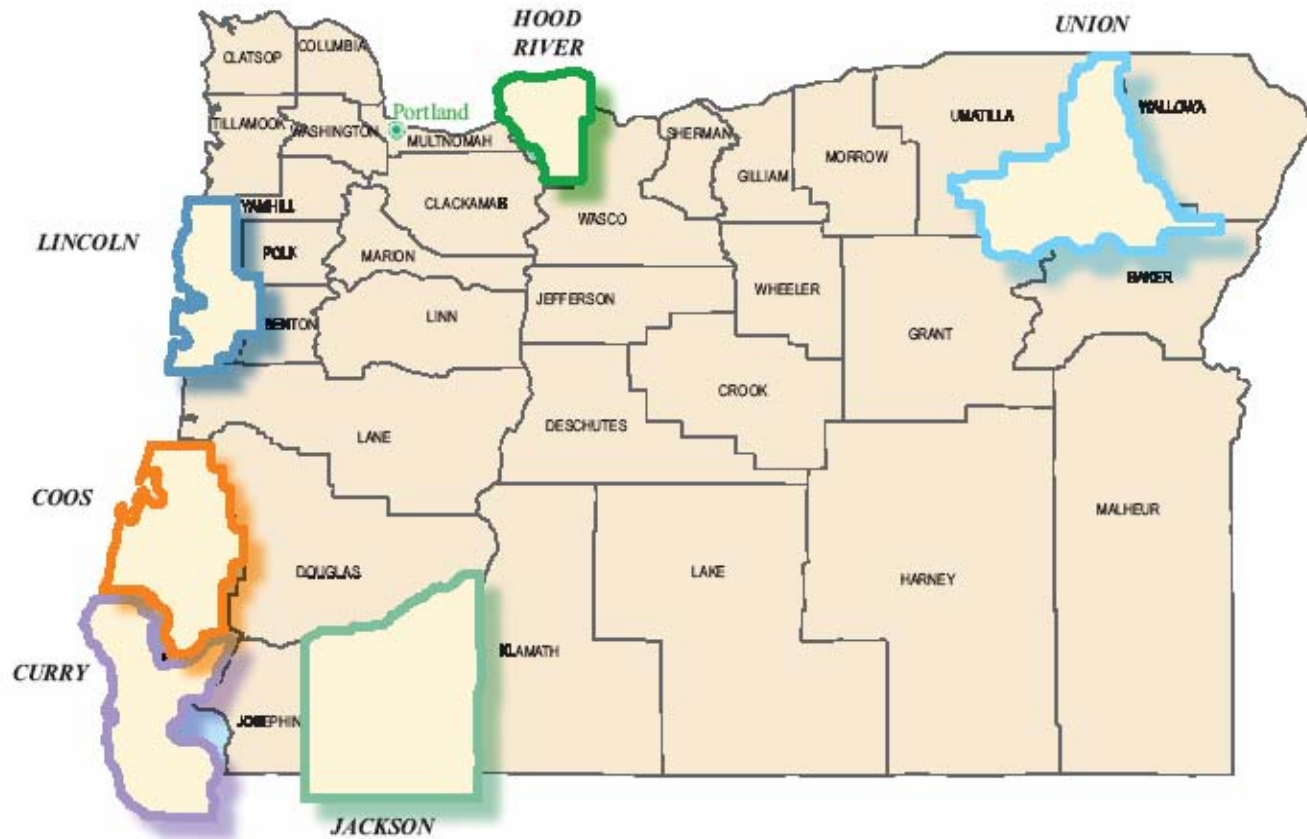


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# Teams Formed to Include:

- Families
- School personnel
- Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- Special Education Protection and Advocacy Organization
- Developmental Disabilities social services
- Public Health Nurses
- Vocational Contractors
- Physicians / health care providers
- Independent Living Centers
- Other



# Video Conference

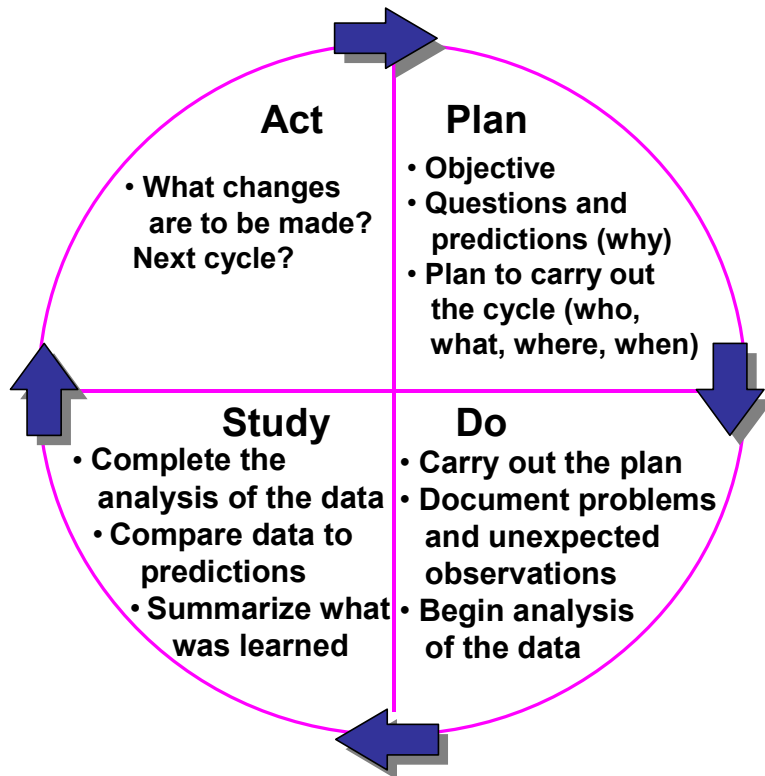
## Learning Session One

- Introduction of the learning collaborative and collaborative goal explained
- Betty Presler, ARNP, PhD, spoke to entire group
- Promising Practices
- Explained the IHI (Plan, Do Study Act) process
- Community Asset Mapping exercise
- Time for team planning and team sharing



# Creation of Team Charter

## The PDSA Cycle



- **Plan**- What do we want to accomplish?
- **Do**- Carry out the plan, document problems / observations.
- **Study**- Summarize what you learned.
- **Act**- What changes need to be made?



# Each Participant Received a Notebook

- Information on the purpose, goals and mission of the project
- Copies of powerpoints / handouts
- Basic info on IDEA and 504
- Transition planning checklists
- Example of portable medical summary
- Promising practice examples
- List of participants
- Contact information for state agencies



# Other Learning Sessions included:

- Information on Person Centered Planning
- Wellness planning
- Review of Improvement Process
- Panel of youth / families who are involved in transition
- Information on the Oregon Parent Training Information Center (ORPTI)
- Info on adult providers like Voc Rehab and Support Brokerages



# Evaluation



# What We Learned

- Cross agency collaboration, even in small towns across Oregon doesn't happen
- Asset mapping and service planning are powerful tools
- Updated promising practices from around the country are inspirational.
- “Cheerleading” and prodding the process along is valuable
- Seed money



# What We Learned, cont.

- Having teams submit a proposal
- Face to Face time important for teams
- Choose team facilitator carefully



# Outcomes

- Youth Advisory Group- no youth on the teams (OCCYSHN)
- Youth Elements for Survival document (YES) (OCCYSHN)
- Independent Living Centers began holding monthly “skill Builder Classes”
- Youth employment demonstration project within city parks began
- Transition Fair
- Multi agency information release authorization



# Outcomes- Cont.

- Coalitions that included more than one county
- More information on Person Centered Planning distributed to more people (families and providers)
- Living Resource Record created
- Websites for local communities around transition created (Coos County and Hood River County)
- Resource lists (Lincoln County)



# Creating a Community Team in Your Community

- Recruit youth and families
- Recruit for agency participation.
- Try to obtain access to some seed money
- Identify facilitator
- Commit to an improvement and a time line



# Resources

- <http://www.arcoregon.org/staley.htm>- ARC of Oregon (Support Brokerages)
- Disability Mentoring Day- Kentucky  
[http://www.calky.org/events.htm#Disability\\_Mentoring\\_Day](http://www.calky.org/events.htm#Disability_Mentoring_Day)
- <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/>- Health Resources and Services Administration
- <http://www.ihl.org/ihl/programs>- Institute for Health Care Improvement



# Resources

- <http://www.occyshn.org>- Oregon Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Needs
- Oregon Parent Training Information Center <http://www.orpti.org/>
- Person Centered Planning Information: Oregon Technical Assistance Corporation-[www.otac.org/](http://www.otac.org/)
- Statewide Leadership for Youth in Transition: A Person Centered, Asset- Based Community Development Approach Waisman Center, University of Wisconsin- Madison

