



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
CRIME VICTIM AND SURVIVOR SERVICES DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 8, 2021

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Shannon Sivell
Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division

SUBJECT: Proposed Changes to Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 137

Summary of Proposed Rule Changes:

The maximum payment amounts for counselors for the Crime Victims' Compensation Program and the Sexual Assault Victims' Emergency Medical Response Fund are well below the current reimbursement rates for counseling services. The increase reflects the need to provide adequate reimbursement for counselors willing to assist victims and survivors of crime who do not have mental health insurance. Other changes include an increase to the CVCP mileage reimbursement rate, and the removal of the definition for substantial provocation.

Copies of the proposed changes to the Oregon Administrative Rules may be accessed in the following ways:

1. DOJ CVSSD website: <https://www.doj.state.or.us/crime-victims/>
2. E-mail: Send an e-mail requesting the rules to valerie.smith@doj.state.or.us
3. Paper copy: Call Valerie Smith at (503) 378-5348

Before rules can become effective a specific time must be set aside for public comment on the proposed changes. The closing date for comments on the above rule change is **5:00 p.m., Monday, February 22, 2021.** All comments must be received by the Department of Justice by that date.

Comments from the proposed amended rules can be made in writing at any time up to the closing date or verbally at the telephonic public hearing that will take place in Salem. All comments will receive the same consideration, whether written or verbal.

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Send written comments to:
Oregon Department of Justice
Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division
Attention: Valerie Smith
1162 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301-4096

Email comments to: valerie.smith@doj.state.or.us

Written comments must be received by the end of the business day, Monday, February 22, 2021.

Telephonic public hearing time and location:
Monday, February 22, 2021
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division
1162 Court St NE
Salem OR 97301

Public hearing information:

Those wishing to make oral comments at the public hearing must call no later than 11:15 a.m. (1-866-390-1828, participant code 8452560). The hearing will close at 11:15 a.m. if no one is in attendance. All oral comments made during the public hearing will be recorded. Comments will be limited to 10 minutes per speaker. If your comments will be longer than 10 minutes, please consider submitting them in writing.

If you are planning to attend the public hearing and require any special accommodation, please contact Valerie Smith at valerie.smith@doj.state.or.us, or call Valerie at (503) 378-5348.

Following February 22, 2021, the Attorney General or her designee will make a final review taking into account all written and verbal comments. After this review the rules will be filed with the Oregon Secretary of State's Office and will become effective.

If you have any questions regarding the proposed rule amendment or the process, please e-mail Valerie Smith at valerie.smith@doj.state.or.us, or call Valerie at (503) 378-5348.