

Age Requirements for Individuals to Receive Benefits

- (1) If the year of an individual's birth is known but the month is unknown, the month of birth is presumed to be July. If the date of birth is unknown, the date of birth is presumed to be the first of the month.
- (2) To be eligible for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program:
 - (a) *A dependent child* (see OAR [461-001-0000](#)) --
 - (A) May not be *legally married* (see OAR [461-001-0000](#)), *legally married* and separated, or legally emancipated; and
 - (B) Must be under 18 years of age; or under 19 years of age and *regularly attending school* (see subsection (c) of this section) full time, as determined by the school.
 - (b) *A caretaker relative* (see OAR [461-001-0000](#)) may be any age.
 - (c) "Regularly attending school" means enrolled in and attending any of the following:
 - (A) A school in grade 12 or below, including home schooling approved by the local school district.
 - (B) GED classes in lieu of high school.
 - (C) A course of vocational or technical training, including Job Corps, in lieu of high school.
 - (D) The Oregon School for the Deaf.
 - (d) The student's full-time status is defined by the school.
 - (e) Regular attendance continues when a student misses school because of an illness, family emergency, or vacation, as long as the student intends to return to school. Students are

considered to be in attendance for the full month in which they complete or discontinue school or training.

- (3) To be eligible for the Oregon Supplemental Income Program Medical-Aid to the Blind (OSIPM-AB), Qualified Individual (QI), Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB), Refugee Assistance (REF), Refugee Assistance Medical (REFM), Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB), or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), an individual may be any age.
- (4) To be eligible for the Oregon Supplemental Income Program Medical–Aid to the Disabled (OSIPM-AD) and Qualified Disabled and Working Individual (QDWI) programs, an individual must be under 65 years of age.
- (5) To be eligible for the Oregon Supplemental Income Program Medical-Employed Persons with Disabilities (OSIPM-EPD) program, the individual must be 18 years of age or older.
- (6) To be eligible for the Oregon Supplemental Income Program Medical-Old Age Assistance (OSIPM-OAA) program, an individual must be 65 years of age or older.
- (7) To be eligible for OSIPM-Behavioral Health under OAR [461-135-0755](#), an individual must be age 21 or older.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS [409.050](#), [411.060](#), [411.070](#), [411.404](#), [411.816](#), [412.049](#), [413.085](#), [414.619](#)

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS [409.010](#), [411.060](#), [411.070](#), [411.404](#), [411.816](#), [412.049](#), [42 USC 1396a](#), 45 CFR 98.20, 45 CFR 400

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