

# Oregon Safety Model

## Background Notes

The Oregon Safety Model is the model by which Oregon DHS Child Welfare works to ensure safety for children. Safety across the life of a case involved with Child Welfare is a key concept in the model and there are specific steps to ensuring safety outlined in both rule and procedure. In addition the Oregon Safety Model is critical to every area in Child Welfare from initial call to assessment of abuse and neglect as well as conditions for returning children home, placement in foster care, foster home certification and selecting and assessing and supervising alternate placements such as adoption and guardianships.

### Tasks / Assignments:

- Go to the Oregon Safety Model webpage:  
[http://www.dhs.state.or.us/caf/safety\\_model/](http://www.dhs.state.or.us/caf/safety_model/)
  - Read the key concepts and FAQs
  - Read the example case plan and scenario
  - Read the "Guideline to Achieving Permanency"
  - Talk with your Supervisor about any questions you might have after reviewing the case plan, scenario and "Guideline to Achieving Permanency"

### Discoveries:

- *What key concepts are still unclear?*
- *What were some of the critical points and actions taken outlined in the case scenario?*
- *What key protective capacities were identified in the case scenario?*