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Oregon Home Care Commission meets March 31 and April 1

Who: Oregon Home Care Commission

What: Public meetings

When: Training subcommittee, March 31, 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.;
full commission, April 1, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: 676 Church Street NE, Salem, OR

Agenda items for the full commission meeting on April 1 include Workers' Compensation update, Tobacco Cessation Program, budget update, HUBB Update, STEPS update, training update, registry update, stakeholder review, and executive director's report.

The commission is responsible for ensuring the quality of publicly funded in-home care services. The commission has three major charges: (1) to define qualifications of home care workers; (2) to create a statewide registry of home care workers; and (3) to provide training opportunities for home care workers and consumers. Beyond these responsibilities, the Home Care Commission is also the employer of record for purposes of collective bargaining for home care workers whose pay comes from public funds.

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