

New Oregon Law Ensures School Accommodations for Children Recovering from Brain Injury

Did You Know?

Under a new Oregon law Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 336.495 and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) OAR 581-021-3007, when parents provide their child's school with medical documentation of a concussion or other brain injury and make a written request for accommodations, the school must develop an Immediate and Temporary Accommodations Plan (ITAP).

While physical activity restrictions must be implemented immediately, other accommodations are intended to be put in place as soon as possible, the law requires an ITAP to be in effect no later than 10 school days after a parent's written request.

Why it Matters

Most students recover fully or nearly fully from a concussion within about a month, though timelines can vary. Having an ITAP in place, with effective accommodations, supports healing by helping students ease back into learning and avoid unnecessary setbacks during recovery.

What Parents Can Do

Contact your child's school immediately and provide medical documentation of the injury. Make your request in writing for an ITAP to support your child during recovery from a concussion or other brain injury.

Provide the school with information about your child's current symptoms and challenges to help inform the ITAP so accommodations effectively support healing and a return to learning.



Scan this QR code to visit the Oregon Department of Education webpage, "Return to School after a Concussion or other Brain Injury"



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