

## **HSD Provider Conference October 22, 2025**

### Notes from Session: Know Your Rights for Service Providers

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### **Main Points from Session Overview/Presentation:**

- Immigration is natural, people have always looked for to different parts of the world to look out for ourselves and family
- Preparedness
  - Do you know your Constitutional Rights?
  - Protocol if federal agents show up at your home/work?
  - Identified private v. public space
  - Who are your direct and rapid responders?
  - Done practice drills on scenarios in case federal agents show up
  - What resources in the community
  - Know where the rapid response teams in area
  - Know OFA, ECO, PIRC, and FPP guide?
  - All people in the US regardless of immigration status we have rights
  - As community members we should be prepared to keep each other safe and minimize trauma
- Know your rights
  - We all have the right to remain silent
    - Important to exercise the right to remain silent verbally. If we answer questions we open up the opportunity for agents to further investigate us.
  - We all have the right not sign anything without speaking to a lawyer, especially if we don't understand what it says
  - We all have the right to refuse permission to search or enter

- It is important to not open the door unless we know who is on the other side
  - Officers might try to use their foot to leave the door open and start intimidation tactics
  - Signed warrant by Judge or magistrate would allow them to enter with or without your permission
    - What agents might provide is an Order of Removal signed, but it is not the same and does not allow them to enter
    - 3 elements of a valid warrant include (Administered by a court, addressed to the right person, and signed by a judge)
- Oregon Sanctuary law gives use the right to not have our state government workers collaborate with ICE without a warrant
  - Does not mean agents will stop making arrests
  - It is against Oregon law for state and local governments like police or sheriff, department human services etc to collab or participate with immigration enforcement without a court order
    - This law has kept Oregon's low detentions compared to other states
    - In states where it is high it is because State is working with agents
- If agents show up at your building
  - Have a protocol or Call PIRC 1-888-622-1510

#### **-Questions/Answers (summarization):**

- KYR training other than Spanish? No. Latino Network open to partnering with other organizations

#### **-Main Discussion Points not captured above:**

- In a situations it is good to have a plan and be prepared
- You can tell people what their rights are if agents show up

#### **-Takeaways or Follow-Ups for HSD:**

- Legal representation is hard to get but important for community to enroll in the ECO program 1-888-274-7292 (waitlist is long but important to pre-enroll)
- IMIRJ can support with accompaniment for immigration check in or have a court date
- Latino Network doing Know Your Rights and Community Trainings
- Latino Network shares information and resources through social media and the website
- Every family needs to have an emergency plan you can find it here <https://www.latnet.org/immigration-resources/protect-your-family>