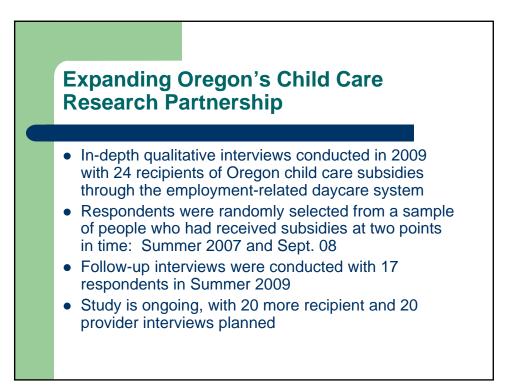


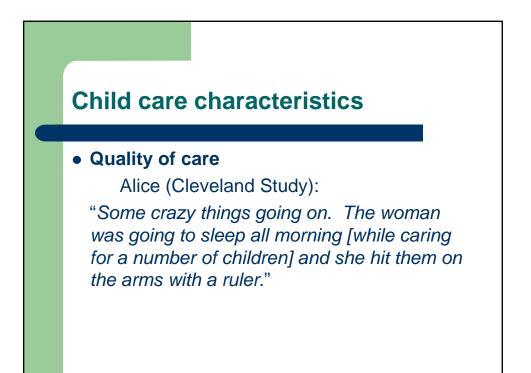
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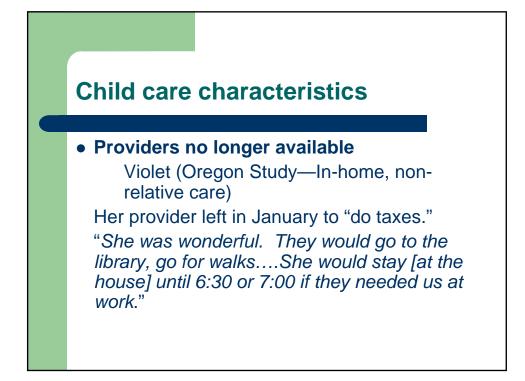
- 21 respondents were African American; 17 were white
- 21 respondents had preschool age children
- All respondents with a preschool age child who were moving from welfare to work had access to a child care subsidy through the welfare department
- 24 respondents had elementary school age children—one used a subsidy for after school care

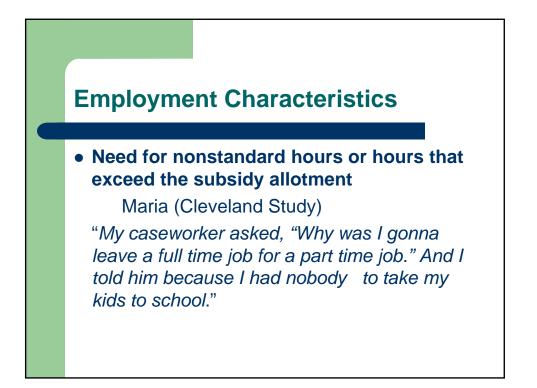


#### Expanding Oregon's Child Care Research Partnership continued

- 20 respondents were white; 2 were Latina; 1 was African American; 1 identified herself as "mixed"
- 13 respondents had preschool age kids
- 20 respondents had elementary school age kids
- We interviewed at least 4 people in each of the five categories of care-type (center, relative care, own-home/non-relative, unregulated family/neighbor, regulated family care). All were working.



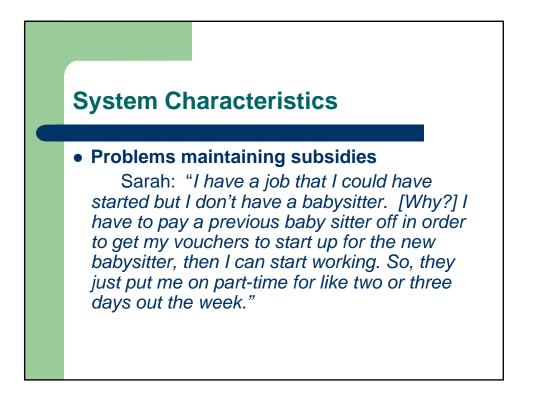






#### Erratic and/or changing schedules

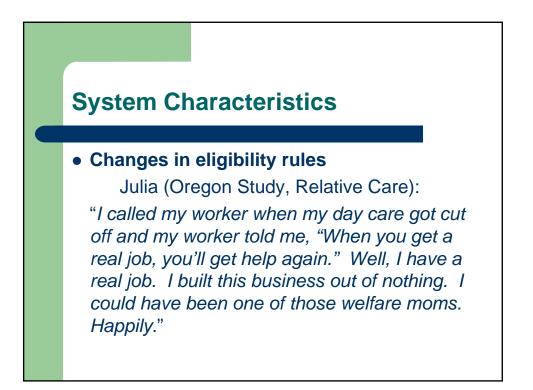
Mary (Oregon Study, Center-based care) Describing her new plan for care when she switched from day shift to graveyard, she said: "A friend of mine is going to watch the kids for me, and then I'll come home from work, get them up, take them to school, and come home and go to bed."



### **System Characteristics**

#### • Problems maintaining subsidies

Rochelle: "She wanted to give me one voucher at a time. You know, one month at a time. And everybody else was getting 6 months at a time or 3 months at a time. Let me tell you, this broad down there is thick. You know. Cause I have to take off. And I'm just getting the new job. She wants me to take off and come down there. You know. And sit all day for that bullshit. You know what I mean? So that's primarily why I just left em alone."



# **System Characteristics**

#### • Market rate subsidies are critical!

Oregon provider story: "Financially, the center wasn't making it. It was

heartbreaking. We had to charge the additional amount to all our subsidy clients. I lost 60% when we asked them to pay that. It broke my heart...but when the state set the new rates I was able to call all of those parents. Almost all came back. I had to scramble to make space."