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Oregon Center for  
NURSING

# FRIDAY HUDDLE

A gathering of Oregon nursing workforce leaders to offer timely updates and share insights from peers and stakeholders.

## Nursing Workforce

**Health Workforce Well-Being Day:** The National Academy of Medicine has established March 18, 2024, as [the first Health Workforce Well-Being Day](#). The initiative aims to raise awareness of the unique stressors and risks that healthcare workers face. Join the Oregon Center for Nursing in spreading the word—post to social media, tell a friend, or [share your story directly with NAM](#).

**Change Healthcare Update:** Clinicians across Oregon continue to report challenges following last month's [Change Healthcare cyberattack](#). The Oregon Health Authority has established workarounds to help facilitate payments until the issue is resolved. For questions, contact Provider Services at 800-336-6016 (option 5) or email [DMAP.ProviderServices@oha.oregon.gov](mailto:DMAP.ProviderServices@oha.oregon.gov)

## Nursing Education

**ONEA Scholarship Program:** Scholarships for the [Oregon Nursing Educator Academy \(ONEA\)](#) are being accepted. Funded by a federal grant, the ONEA is part of a nationwide effort to increase the number of nurse educators in America. The program offers a fully-funded scholarship to the OHSU Masters in Nursing Education program. Any BSN-prepared nurse in Oregon is [eligible to apply before the priority deadline](#) of May 31 or the final deadline of mid-July.

## Events & Happenings

**OPHA Nursing Section Lunch and Learn:** Join the Oregon Public Health Association (OPHA) for a collaborative discussion about public health nursing in Oregon. Scheduled for March 26 from 12 to 1 p.m., this virtual conversation is open to the public. [Learn more and register here](#).

**Build Healthy Work Environments with NWONL:** The Northwest Organizations of Nurse Leaders (NWONL) is hosting [a two-part session on the implementation of the Healthy Work Environment Assessment Tool \(HWEAT\)](#) in the healthcare workplace. Hear from AACN representatives, as well as nursing leaders currently working to apply the model. The first session is scheduled for March 29, and the second for April 26. NWONL also invites Huddlers to [its upcoming conference](#), happening May 16-17 in Seattle, Washington.

**NPO's Annual Pharmacology Conference:** Join the Nurse Practitioners of Oregon (NPO) on April 6 for a one-day educational conference addressing safe prescribing, the newest medications in primary care, and other trending patient care topics. [Learn more and register online](#) or contact [NPO@oregonrn.org](mailto:NPO@oregonrn.org) for additional details.

### Next Friday Huddle:

Friday, March 22, at 8:00 a.m.

[Register Here!](#)

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