



FRIDAY MORNING HUDDLE

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

DATE: May 5, 2023

Nursing Workforce

Nurse Licensure: Legislative discussion around Oregon entering into compact licensure for nurses will not continue at this time. This comes after [Washington enacted its nurse licensure compact](#) in April, becoming the 40th state to do so. The reasoning behind the bill's halt is unclear at this time.

Rules Advisory Committee (RAC) for Division 45: OSBN is seeking members for a RAC to guide discussions around Standards and Scope of Practice for RNs and LPNs in Oregon. To sign up to participate, email colin.butterly@osbn.oregon.gov no later than TODAY, May 5.

CNA Consolidation, Curriculum, and Testing: OSBN will host [a public listening session](#) on the potential consolidation of CNA1 and CNA2 certifications on May 30 at 10 a.m. Community input and commentary are welcome. There is also [a work session](#) to address Senate Bill 703, which would introduce Oregon CNA education and testing in Spanish, on May 8 at 3 p.m.

Public Transportation in Astoria, Oregon: Following an announcement that the Sunset Empire Transportation District suspended [Sunday operations](#), the Oregon Department of Transport provided financial assistance to maintain the service. Buses will begin running again this weekend. The reaction came partly due to advocacy work by a fellow huddler—a powerful reminder to use your network and have essential conversations!

Nursing Education

Graduation Season: Nursing programs across the state are preparing for graduation! New graduates are finding success in securing post-graduate employment. Walla Walla University reported that an estimated 75 percent of graduating students have job offers. The University of Portland said a majority of graduating students are weighing numerous job opportunities. Congratulations to our new nurses!

ABNAO Student Scholarships: The Alliance of Black Nurses Association of Oregon is currently accepting applications for the Willesha Wade Scholarship and its ABNAO Scholarship. [Applications are due June 1](#). Contact info@abnao.org with any questions.

Events and Happenings

OCN's First Wellness Conference: The OCN Nurse Wellness conference happens on Tuesday, May 23, in Salem, Oregon! Seats are running out, and your last day to register is May 18. [Get your tickets today!](#)

Nourishment for Nurses of Color Event: Join the Alliance of Black Nurses Association of Oregon (ABNAO), in collaboration with Trauma Informed Oregon (TIO), for [a workshop on June 3](#) in McMinnville, Oregon.

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FRIDAY, MAY 12, 8 A.M.

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