

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 <u>Washington enacted</u> 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 <u>public listening session</u> 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 <u>work session</u> 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 <u>Sunday operations</u>, 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. <u>Applications are due June 1</u>. Contact <u>info@abnao.org</u> 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. <u>Get your tickets today!</u>

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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