



Oregon Center for
NURSING

FRIDAY MORNING HUDDLE

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

DATE: June 16, 2023

Nursing Workforce

Oregon State Legislation: The Oregon Senate [returned to work](#) yesterday following a record-breaking walkout. Numerous nursing-related bills, including the [nurse staffing bill](#), have been pushed through. Another huddler reported [SB-226](#), which includes Oregon nurses' abilities to accept orders from out-of-state providers, also passed—a concept that originated from the OCN Friday Huddle community. We will have complete insight into the additional bills passed in the coming weeks.

HRSA Faculty Loan Repayment Program: The deadline for HRSA's Faculty Loan Repayment Program is June 29 at 4:30 p.m. (PST). Interested faculty and nurse educators can learn more about eligibility and find more information on [the HRSA website](#).

Oregon Nursing Strikes: We discussed the widespread impact of [recent nursing strikes](#) across the state. Huddlers agreed about the importance of transparency during discussions with team members, friends, and families, including the purpose behind the strikes—keeping nurses safe, giving them a voice, and helping close gaps in the profession.

Nursing Education

Wrapping up the School Year: In the past several weeks, many schools across the state, both K12 and colleges/universities, are wrapping up the school year. Huddlers discussed that while there have been some improvements since COVID-19, students still struggle. In addition, clinical site placements continue to be a stress point for educators and students alike.

Caring for Our Educators and Faculty: As the school year wraps up, huddlers discussed wellness and connectedness for nursing professionals in education settings and beyond. Huddlers have examples such as workshops, annual retreats, and regular one-to-one sessions. We identified how difficult it can be to establish these programs and their importance. Another huddler suggested how important it is to make these programming and resources accessible during working hours.

Events and Happenings

Did you know? Today is National Fudge Day and National Take Back the Lunch Break Day. Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Week is recognized June 15-21. This Sunday, June 18, is Father's Day. Then, we celebrate [Juneteenth](#) on Monday, June 19.

NAHN Annual Conference: The National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN) will host its annual conference July 11-14 in Portland, Oregon. Early bird registration ends on June 5. [Learn more and register here](#).

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