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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

**HB 3396 Updates:** The Oregon Center for Nursing is actively awaiting contract execution for the release of funds from the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to move forward with its Retaining and Elevating the Nurse Education Workforce (RENEW) Project, supported by monies allocated by HB3396 in the 2023 legislative session. We look forward to sharing updates as information unfolds.

**Oregon Health Sciences CTE Employer Advisory Group:** Help build pathways for future healthcare professionals as a volunteer advisor. [Education Northwest](#) seeks healthcare employers to share insight into the experiences and attributes of entry-level employees. Volunteers can contact Kathryn Rooney at Education Northwest for more information: [kathryn.rooney@ednw.org](mailto:kathryn.rooney@ednw.org).

**Rural Population Health Incubator Program:** The Oregon Office of Rural Health is now accepting grant proposals for its 2024-2025 grant cycle. The Rural Population Health Incubator Program provides grants of up to \$10,000 each to support population health and health equity programs in rural Oregon. [Learn more and apply online by May 3, 2024.](#)

**Get Involved with the Latino Provider Association:** PODER's Clinical Advisory Council (CAP) will host the inaugural meeting of the Latino Provider Association, along with many co-hosting local professional organizations, on Friday, January 26, from 2 to 5 p.m. [Register online to learn more](#) about getting involved with these essential groups within our Oregon nursing community.

## Nursing Education

**Winter Weather Closes Nursing Programs:** Huddlers discussed this past week's unanticipated impact on nursing school campuses across the Willamette Valley. The University of Portland and Concordia University reported classes were canceled for the week for student and staff safety. Some programs, including Sumner College and Clackamas Community College, moved to Zoom-based lectures to beat the icy conditions.

**NCSBN's Regulatory Scholars Program:** Do you have a graduate-level nursing student in your network? NCSBN's Regulatory Scholars Program develops the field of nursing regulation through various programming and education opportunities. The organization is currently accepting applications for its graduate internships, scholar-in-residence positions, and doctoral student grant programs. [Interested candidates can learn more and apply online.](#)

**CBC Education Resources:** The [NurseLearn](#) team is rolling out new educational resources for nursing students! Nurse faculty and nursing school leadership, as well as community-based care partners, can sign up to learn more about available curriculum resources that will be released in 2024. The organization will host several upcoming webinars in early February for those interested in learning more. [Sign up to receive more information about the resources and upcoming webinars.](#)

### Next Friday Huddle:

Friday, January 26, at 8:00 a.m.

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