WE WANT TO FLOAT SAFELY

Nurses are speaking up on floating to other units. They want to provide patient care where it is needed but want to do it in a safe manner. Nurses are willing to float to a unit to which they are properly oriented and feel competent providing care. The employer has placed patients in dangerous situations by floating nurses to units where they have not been oriented or feel comfortable.

Last week, we filed an Association grievance over the issue. However, we have invited the employer to collaborate with us on this issue. In the past, the employer has not cared about properly orienting nurses to a floated unit. They have not proactively planned orientations ahead of time. In short, they have made last-minute decisions that have put patients at risk.

We told the employer we are willing to compromise on a new side letter so that patients’ needs are at the center of what we do. We need to hear from you!

We will be holding Zoom membership meetings on Wednesday, August 4, 2021, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Drop in anytime! We will review a draft side letter proposal that we might present to the employer at our grievance hearing on Friday, August 6.

Use any of the same Zoom login as bargaining:
1) Any device’s browser
https://zoom.us/j/2810307587?pwd=czBLMnBV0VMxKzJFWh0b1ZSY1U3UT09
2) Download the Zoom app to any device
Meeting ID: 281 030 7587
Passcode: 6BjRSn
3) Dial on any phone 253-215-8782
Meeting ID: 281 030 7587
Passcode: 070754

MORE REP ROUNDS

Gary Aguiar, our labor rep, will be rounding again on Tuesday, August 3, beginning at noon in the Wound Care West 11th Clinic and then all units in main hospital. He will return that evening around 11:00 p.m. to visit with night shift nurses.

If you are unable to catch him on Tuesday rounds or one of the Wednesday meetings, text/call 503-444-0690 or Aguiar@OregonRN.org