OHA to Survey OHSU Nurse Staffing Starting March 30

On March 23, OHSU was notified by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) that they will conduct the triennial survey of OHSU Nurse Staffing starting on March 30. You may be approached in-person by a surveyor, while working on your unit during your shift, and you may be asked about: your staffing plan; how patient acuity and nurse work intensity are used to determine assignments; how meals and rest breaks occur; and if your unit has violated the staffing plan. These surveys were suspended across Oregon during the pandemic and OHSU will be the very first hospital in Oregon that they are visiting since resuming the surveys.

Management will notify all current nurses of an online OHA survey you can fill out which we hope you will! Per OHA: “As part of the survey, hospital staff, patients and family members may participate in a nurse staffing survey interview. The survey interview is currently open for participation and will remain open until 5:00 PM on April 6, 2021. Please make sure staff are informed of the opportunity to participate in the survey interview and receive the survey interview address.”

It is critical that OHSU nurses complete this survey and provide honest, detailed answers to the questions. This opportunity comes once every 3 years and is a critical opportunity to push for safer staffing at OHSU. Please encourage everyone on your unit to fill out the survey! You don’t have to wait to hear from management, you can fill out the survey linked below.

- **Click here to take the survey**

ONA Staffing Survey Meetings, Monday, March 29

We are hosting a zoom meeting about the staffing survey, this Monday, at 5pm and 8pm. All AURN members are invited for Q&A zoom sessions to help explain your rights and responsibilities under the staffing law for this survey.

**Topic:** AURN Members Urgent Briefing on OHA Staffing Survey: Your Rights and Responsibilities

**Time:** Mar 29, 2021 05:00 PM and 8:00 PM Pacific Time
To join the meeting, please contact your labor rep for the Zoom meeting details or check your inbox for a recent ONA email.

Additional Information

Your UBNPC members and staffing committee representatives can also be a source of information as well.

Also, if you are very new to Oregon’s safe staffing law, or just want to learn a ton more about it, ONA has trainings throughout the year, and we have some resources online here.

We also have several clusters that are currently unrepresented on the staffing committee. If you are interested, we can share more about what the position entails if you email cooper@oregonrn.org.

Clusters in need of nurse staffing committee representation:

- Ambulatory #2 –CWH, Home Infusion, Family Medicine (*5), Digestive Health Center
- Pediatrics–8N, 9N, 9S, 10N, 10S, PANDA, Pediatric Sedation, Pediatric (10C), Pediatric Float Pool
- Perioperative / Peri-Anesthesia –Intra-operative (ORs): CEI, CHH, DCH, and SOR • Pre and post PACU: South (6A), CHH, CEI & DCH

If you have any questions, please contact your ONA labor representative, executive team leaders or stewards.