Believe, Support: Nurses Call for Change at OHSU

The Oregon Nurses Association (ONA) believes, supports and pledges solidarity with the brave survivors who have come forward to expose repeated incidents of sexual harassment and assault at OHSU, including recent sexual harassment lawsuits.

In failing to respond appropriately to these and many other similar incidents, OHSU’s administration has again displayed a lack of courage, transparency and basic humanity.

Our workplace will not be safe until there are permanent changes to address OHSU’s pervasive corporate culture which tacitly permits sexual harassment, assaults, discrimination and racism by protecting perpetrators, dismissing allegations and attempting to silence workers who speak up.

We demand OHSU’s administration make the changes necessary to ensure OHSU is a safe place for all people, starting by listening to and supporting survivors and moving towards an ongoing dialogue with frontline workers to address long-standing concerns about OHSU’s culture of silence and unaccountability.

All workers should be free from sexual harassment and discrimination in the workplace. We applaud those brave individuals who have come forward and we encourage others to do the same. If and when they feel able to do so, they will have our belief and support.

If you have experienced sexual harassment or discrimination as a nurse at OHSU, you are welcome to reach out to your labor representatives for confidential support and assistance.

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