Special Election!

We have an unexpected vacancy in the Membership/Organizing Chair position. We want to express our sincere gratitude to Valerie Blanton, who recently stepped down from this role. She did an excellent job speaking to nurses about the importance of membership and encouraging them to sign up in a timely manner.

This position is one of seven executive committee positions. The rest of these positions are filled by strong nurse advocates that work in your unit. This is your Oregon Nurses Association (ONA)/Providence Home Health and Hospice (PHHH) executive committee.

Graciously, Home Health nurse Jamie Aguilar has agreed to run for this position. When asked why she wants to serve, Jamie said:

“I've felt so much gratitude for everything ONA has done for nurses through tough time and want to be a resource of information and a liaison for co-workers”.

Along with our labor representative, collectively we have been working hard to make sure that you are supported and protected during this pandemic: by advocating for proper personal protective equipment (PPE), negotiating pay securities, addressing safety and staffing issues with management, and regularly meeting to work together on your behalf. In addition, we enforce the contract, represent nurses facing potential discipline, advocate for good working conditions and strive for quality patient care.

Tell us a bit about yourself, Jamie.

I'm a life-long Pacific NW resident. I went to the University of Portland School of Nursing and I have been a nurse with Providence since 2013.

I enjoy playing piano, reading books that are way too long and are fantastical i.e. they must include magical or extraordinary powers. I also enjoy hiking, camping and being outdoors with my family.

Per the ONA/PHHH bylaws, the Membership/Organizing Chair performs these functions:

6.1.4.6.1 Conduct and supervise the affairs of the Membership Committee in accordance with these Bylaws;

6.1.4.6.2 Ensures that all new hires are contacted in a timely fashion to discuss membership in the AHHHN-ONA and the ONA, ensures new hires are provided with a copy of the collective bargaining agreement and these Bylaws, a ONA membership application and to ensure that the new hires are introduced to the new hires’ unit steward;

6.1.4.6.3 Strive to increase the membership of the bargaining unit;

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6.1.4.6.4 Maintain a group of activist members who are members in good standing and who are willing to perform duties at the request of the Executive Committee or ONA;

6.1.4.6.5 Ensure that the activists receive training in organizing; and

6.1.4.6.6 Ensure that membership records accurately reflect who are: a) members in good standing; b) members in bad standing; c) fair share members; d) bona fide religious objectors; e) new hires who are potential new members; and f) non-members. The Membership Chair will ensure that the list is updated on an annual basis and before every vote of the bargaining unit.

Per the bylaws, this open position is to be posted for 30 days. If you are interested in running as the membership/organizing chair, please fill out the consent to serve below.

Racism is a public health crisis in Oregon and across the country and we need action. Please join us for a special meeting to discuss how Providence nurses can engage in solidarity against racist violence, support the #BlackLivesMatter movement and do our part to counter police brutality in our communities!

ONA Providence BLM Solidarity Brainstorm Meeting
Monday, June 22 • 5-6 p.m.
Click here to register to attend

CONSENT TO SERVE

If appointed/nominated, I consent to serve for the following offices (list all that apply):

The Membership/Organizing Chair

Signature

Printed Name

Date

Home email: ____________________________  Mobile phone: ____________________________

Best time to reach me: ____________________________  Best way to reach me: ____________________________

RETURN by fax to 503-293-0013 or by photograph to Jocelyn Pitman Pitman@OregonRN.org
no later than Noon on July 18, 2020

You must be an ONA member to serve.
If you have questions, contact Jocelyn Pitman 503-293-0011 ext 1320, Pitman@OregonRN.org