

The **AWHONN Oregon Section** is excited to announce that we are implementing a new **Hospital Representative Program** throughout the state! Our already dynamic Section is looking for members like <u>YOU</u>, who have a passion for networking, sharing education, promoting ideas, as well as encouraging the benefits of belonging to our nursing's specialty professional organization. Having AWHONN representatives embedded directly in units and at the bedside within our state's hospitals is vital to empowering our fellow colleagues. We hope to reach our goal of having at least one AWHONN representative in every Oregon hospital to inspire and motivate others.

The hospital representative position will help bridge the gap between the Oregon state AWHONN committee and your unit. The responsibilities will consist of:

- Collaborating with AWHONN leaders and your unit
- Sharing upcoming Chapter and Section events
- Spreading the word about educational opportunities through email, department bulletin boards and/or social media
- Encouraging colleagues to attend our annual fall state conference
- Boosting AWHONN membership interest among peers
- Empower Oregon nurses to stay connected and up to date with the latest evidence-based practices
- Assist in coordinating free webinars and continuing education to staff nurses

Hospital representatives will be recognized and rewarded with *personal support, growth, and mentorship* in your professional career. Additionally, a 20% discount will also be provided to this year's annual Oregon fall conference as a token of our appreciation. It is required for all hospital representatives to maintain an active AWHONN membership and there is a minimum of a one-year commitment to the role.

To learn more about our state committee and chapter, follow us on the social media outlets of Instagram and Facebook. Here we hope to inspire Oregon nurses who work with women and infants and their families. These are great communication tools to ask practice questions, advertise upcoming educational events, share ideas, and network with nurses in your specialty. It also will be a hub for Hospital Representatives to find support and identify content to share with others. The Oregon AWHONN website also contains the latest updates and news from AWHONN!

https://www.instagram.com/oregonawhonn

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https://www.oregonawhonn.org/

Thank you for considering this exciting new role! Any and all questions are welcomed! As the Oregon AWHONN Hospital Representative Coordinator, you can contact me by email or phone (preferable text), any time. I look forward to hearing from you!



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