



Oregon Action Coalition

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OAC Talking Points

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- Work includes developing strategies to engage and communicate with nursing and non-nursing partners throughout the state.
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- OAC is part of a national campaign that began in 2010 with the publication of the IOM-FON report which was funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and considered one of the most important reports about the state and future of nursing in the United States ever written.
- The National Coalition campaign envisions a healthcare system where all Americans have access to high quality care with nurses contributing to the full extent of their capabilities.
- OAC Steering Committee recognizes the need to expand the make-up of our board due to the importance of our work to the health and healthcare of all Americans.
- We are reaching out to you and your organization as we believe that you could bring a valuable viewpoint to the board regarding setting our strategic goals and direction.
- The board generally meets monthly on the second Friday at the Oregon Nurses Association in Tualatin from 10 am to noon.
- The meetings are accessible by teleconference.
- In addition to our general business agenda, specific reports from our three strategic workgroups (Leadership, Education and Communication) are presented.
- Currently significant work is ongoing related to the national goal of placing 10,000 nurses on governing boards by 2020.
- If you would be interested in attending an OAC Steering Committee to hear more about how you and your organization, please let me know so that I can arrange a mutually convenient opportunity

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