



About OCHE

*Our Mission is to Improve
Healthcare Employee and Consumer
Safety*

The **Oregon Coalition for Healthcare Ergonomics (OCHE)** is a partnership between business and labor groups and includes, Associated Oregon Industries, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, Oregon Chapter of the Association of Occupational Health Professionals, Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professional, Oregon Health Care Association, Oregon Nurses Association, Oregon OSHA, SAIF Corporation, and the University of Oregon's Labor Education and Research Center.

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OCHE Member Organizations (* founding member)



Oregon OSHA*

Oregon OSHA administers the Oregon Safe Employment Act (OSEA). OSEA authorizes enforcement of federal and state occupational-safety-and-health regulations and provides consultation, educational opportunities, technical assistance, and creative programs to assist employers and employees in Oregon. Oregon OSHA is committed to reducing occupational fatalities, injuries, and illnesses, thereby reducing human suffering and workers' compensation costs. For more information visit <http://www.orosha.org/>



SAIF Corporation*

SAIF Corporation is the leading provider of workers' compensation insurance in Oregon. Created by the Legislature in 1914 as the State Industrial Accident Commission, it was converted in 1980 to a self-supporting, not-for-profit, publicly owned company. Today, SAIF Corporation offers its customers a variety of services including claims management, marketing, underwriting, vocational rehabilitation, return-to-work, investigation, loss control, industrial hygiene and legal representation. The company's mission is to make insurance available to as many Oregon employers as inexpensively as may be consistent with protecting the integrity of the Industrial Accident Fund and sound principles of insurance.

For more information visit <http://www.saif.com/>



The University of Oregon's Labor Education and Research Center*

The University of Oregon's Labor Education and Research Center (LERC) was established in 1977 by the Oregon Legislature to provide educational programs and research on the changing world of work and labor relations. LERC is primarily directed to public service and outreach to the labor community through its education programs and training for leadership in the workplace. The Oregon Labor Safety and Health Education Program (OLSHEP) was funded by SAIF Corporation for five years beginning in 2005, to help Oregon's labor unions improve on-the-job safety and health. LERC occupational safety and health faculty continue to provide outreach and education aimed at improving the health and safety of Oregon workers. For more information visit <http://www.uoregon.edu/~lerc/>



Oregon Nurses Association*

The Oregon Nurses Association (ONA) is the professional association for all Registered Nurses in Oregon committed to excellence in nursing practice, nursing education collective bargaining and political action. Through its Nursing Practice, Labor and Government Relations programs, ONA provides leadership in setting compensation and workplace standards, in achieving legislative support for nursing and health policy issues and in advocating for the highest practice standards. ONA is a member of the American Nurses Association and affiliated labor organization the National Federation of Nurses (NFN). ONA's mission is to promote nursing and quality health care. For more information visit <http://www.oregonrn.org/>



Oregon Health Care Association

Oregon Health Care Association (OHCA) is one of the state's leading trade associations, representing over 570 members including skilled nursing facilities, assisted living and residential care facilities, integrated health systems, independent senior living communities and licensed in-home care agencies. Members provide services to over 40,000 people each day and employ more than 30,000 Oregonians. Members include for profit and not for profit organizations, multi facility health systems and industry partners. Our mission is to promote quality care and services throughout the long term care continuum. OHCA supports that mission through advocacy on behalf of the profession and those served professional development and the provision of technical support and resources. For more information visit www.ohca.com/



Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems

Founded in 1934, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems (OAHHS) is a nonprofit statewide organization that works closely with local and national government leaders, business and citizen coalitions, and other professional healthcare organizations to enhance and promote community health, and to continue development of Oregon's innovative healthcare industry. While the association's primary focus is state and federal government relations, we also provide data services, education programs, and a variety of other member services. We work with Oregon's Congressional Delegation, the American Hospital Association (representing more than 5,000 hospitals nationwide), and other states to influence decisions at the national level on Medicare and Medicaid programs. One of our highest priorities is to work diligently to maintain the public/private partnership supporting the programs that make up the Oregon Health Plan. For more information visit <http://www.oahhs.org/>



Federation of Nurses & Health Professionals

The Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals (OFNHP), American Federation of Teachers (AFT) Local 5017 represents 2400 healthcare workers in NW Oregon and SW Washington. Founded in 1979, OFNHP works to improve healthcare worker safety through organizing healthcare workers, negotiating strong contracts with health and safety protections, education of healthcare workers, involvement in public policy discussions of the industry and the Labor-Management Partnership with Kaiser Permanente. OFNHP is currently focused on transforming Kaiser Permanente, the nations largest HMO, into the safest healthcare system in the United States. For more information visit <http://www.ofnhp.com/>



Liberty Northwest

Liberty Northwest is a part of Liberty Mutual Agency Markets—a strategic business unit that consists of regional companies that distribute their products and services primarily through independent agents and brokers. Core property and casualty products, including a comprehensive set of personal and commercial coverages, are available in most states through various Liberty Mutual Agency Markets companies. In February 1983, Liberty Northwest Insurance Corporation was established as an independently operating company within the Liberty Mutual Group. It is licensed in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon & Washington. Liberty Northwest has the option of offering insurance and related services in all other states through the related companies in the Liberty Mutual Insurance Group. In the first year of operation, Liberty Northwest had less than one percent of the Oregon workers' compensation market. Today, it is the largest private writer of workers compensation in Idaho, Montana and Oregon. For more information visit <https://www.libertynorthwest.com>



Medical Protective

Medical Protective is a national leader in primary medical professional liability coverage and risk solutions to healthcare providers (physicians, dentists, hospitals, and miscellaneous healthcare facilities). As the nation's first provider of medical professional liability insurance, they have been protecting the assets and reputations of healthcare providers for over 100 years. Medical Protective offers insurance on both claims-made and occurrence forms, risk management consulting and education and financial products and services. In addition, they are proud to provide our policy holders with the unparalleled strength stability and insurance expertise as a Warren Buffett Berkshire Hathaway Company. For more information visit <https://www.medpro.com>



SEIU Local 503

Service Employees International Union Local 503 (SEIU) is Oregon's fastest growing labor union representing more than 44,000 workers in state and local government, community-based health and child care, and the non-profit sector. It is part of an international union of like-minded locals with a cumulative membership in excess of 2 million. SEIU 503's principal missions are improving and safeguarding worker rights, working conditions and economic interests; providing all Oregonians with an opportunity to earn a living wage, receive fair and respectful treatment, and have a voice in all decisions that affect their lives; and building a community that is fair, healthy, and based on the principle that every individual and family deserves to participate fully in the life and success that is Oregon.

Oregon Chapter of the Association of Occupational Health Professionals Oregon

The chapter represents occupational and employee health nurses working in primarily acute care hospital. For further information about AOHP visit <http://www.aohp.com/>

Members representing other health care professions are:

- **A Clinical Nurse Specialist** who specializes in Occupational Health
- **Physical Therapy representatives** from St Charles Medical Center, Bend & Redmond and from Salem Hospital
- **Vocational Rehabilitation, Ergonomics & Safety specialist** from Providence Portland Medical Center