

RESOURCES FOR RETENTION

1. Oregon Primary Care Office (PCO)

The Oregon PCO is part of the Oregon Health Authority's Office for Health Policy and Research. The PCO focuses on providing data and information about health care capacity, cost, quality and implementation of health care transformation requirements. The PCO also supports the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) program; this program places clinicians seeking assistance with educational loans into underserved areas throughout the state. Contact the PCO for your data needs, for assistance with recruiting and retaining your health care providers or for further information about the NHSC.

Contact information:

The Oregon Primary Care Office 500 Summer St. NE E-65 Salem, OR 97301 503-373 1779 www.oregon.gov/oha/OHPR/PCO/

2. Oregon Primary Care Association (OPCA)

The OPCA is a nonprofit organization that focuses on providing technical assistance and training to Federally Qualified Health Centers and Community Health Centers in Oregon. In addition, the OPCA advocates for adequate reimbursement for health centers at both the state and federal levels. Contact the OPCA if you're seeking technical assistance or would like additional information on the organization's trainings.

Contact information:

OPCA 310 S.W.Fourth Ave., Suite 200 Portland, OR 97204 503-228-8852 www.orpca.org/

3. Oregon Office of Rural Health (ORH)

The ORH's mission is to improve the quality, availability and accessibility of health care for all rural Oregonians. The ORH focuses on ensuring that all rural residents have access to health care, providing information about rural health in Oregon to interested parties, providing recruitment and retention assistance to rural practices and offering technical assistance to rural communities. Contact the ORH for information and assistance specific to rural practices and communities.

Contact information:

Oregon Office of Rural Health Oregon Health & Science University 3181 S.W. Sam Jackson Park Road, L593 Portland, OR 97239 503-494-4450 www.ohsu.edu/xd/outreach/oregon-rural-health/index.cfm

4. Oregon Locum Tenens Cooperative (OLTC)

The Oregon Locum Tenens Cooperative began in 2011 as a way to help rural communities find temporary practice coverage for practices that may be understaffed or need additional providers to cover vacations, medical leave, etc. The program is primarily supported through member fees and is supported by the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) and OHSU. For more information on the OLTC, contact Anna Tupper at tupper@ohsu.edu.

5. National Health Service Corps (NHSC)

The National Health Service Corps is a federal program administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration. This program provides loan repayment to clinicians practicing in eligible disciplines in underserved communities and clinics throughout the United States. Applications are accepted on an annual basis; the number of awards made each year varies depending on funding. For more information on how to apply as a clinician or to become an eligible site, visit http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/.

6. National Health Service Corps Job Center

For eligible NHSC sites, the Jobs Center is an excellent resource and a forum to advertise your clinic and post vacant positions. Please visit the jobs center to see how other clinics use the site and to start advertising your clinic. The jobs center can be accessed at http:// nhscjobs.hrsa.gov/.

7. 3RNet

The National Rural and Recruitment Network is an online forum for nonprofit organizations to find health care professionals looking for positions in rural or underserved locations. Visit www.3rnet.org/ to learn more about how you can best use this resource. For assistance with posting vacant positions in Oregon, contact Julie Hoffer at the Oregon Office of Rural Health at hoffer@ohsu.edu

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