


A photograph showing a caregiver's hands assisting an elderly person's arm. The elderly person is holding a small yellow and blue ball. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent orange rectangle.

OREGON ASSOCIATION FOR HOME CARE

ENSURING THE SUSTAINABLE DELIVERY OF
HIGH-VALUE HOME-BASED HEALTH CARE

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The Oregon Association for Home Care was founded over 50 years ago to represent providers of skilled home health, hospice, in-home care, IV therapy, respiratory therapy and home medical equipment services throughout the state of Oregon.

Today, we continue that work by fulfilling our mission to support and assist our members in the delivery of high value home-based health care in our communities through advocacy, education and services.



***Home Care...Where the home is a healthful,
independent choice for quality care.***



Services

Advocacy

OAHC is committed to advocating on behalf of all home-based health care providers in order to ensure the long-term vitality of the industry and the patients it serves. For over 50 years, OAHC has served as a respected and valued voice for home-based health care in Oregon, advocating on behalf of the industry directly to local, state and federal representatives. OAHC works directly with the Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Department of Human Services, Oregon's Rural Health Coordinating Council, and other relevant boards and committees on a state and national level. OAHC also provides opportunities for members to engage in these advocacy efforts and speak on behalf of the industry through committee membership.

Education

OAHC regularly provides workshops, webinars and conferences to facilitate continuing education for home-based health providers. Members receive discounts on these education opportunities, all of which are designed to help providers streamline their operations, develop efficiencies and stay up to date on changing regulations and policies and current issues, industry trends and developments.

Communications

OAHC provides regular and timely updates to members on regulatory changes and legislative updates to help them navigate the changing home-based health care landscape. The OAHC listserv, electronic notifications and quarterly legislative and regulatory updates are designed to keep you and your staff informed and up to date on changing policies that impact your ability to meet the home-based health care needs of the many Oregonians you serve.



Services

Information-Sharing

One of the most important benefits of OAHC membership is first-hand access to information-sharing among OAHC members, staff and leadership. Our Board of Directors, Regulatory & Legislative Affairs Committee (RLAC) and OAHC staff are a great resource for information on the latest issues impacting the industry and are available to answer member questions about changing policies and regulations. The members only section of the OAHC website also offers up-to-date information, tools and resources, NAHC Forum reports and access to the members only Listserv, where members can engage in information-sharing about issues impacting their organizations and the industry at large.

Membership Directory

OAHC members receive a complementary listing in the OAHC Membership Directory and Referral Resource Guide as a benefit of membership. Published annually, the guide is a comprehensive directory of OAHC members that is distributed to all members, hospital discharge planners and skilled nursing facilities throughout Oregon. The “Find a Provider” directory available on our website also allows the public to search for OAHC members by organization name, county and services, serving as a valuable online marketing tool for OAHC members.

Members Only Discount Programs

OAHC partners with providers of products and services used by home care and hospice professionals to provide members with exclusive discounts on education opportunities and other business tools.



Advocacy

OAHC is committed to advocating on behalf of all of its members and all home-based health care providers in Oregon. Our staff has over 35 years of combined advocacy expertise at the local, state and federal level, providing unprecedented legislative access and insider knowledge of regulatory processes to OAHC's members.



Legislative Action Network (LAN)

OAHC's Legislative Action Network makes it easy for you to advocate on behalf of the home-based health care industry and send messages directly to your legislators in support of key issues. OAHC actively advocates on behalf of its members and informs members when they need to take action and lend their voice to our advocacy efforts. Visit the Advocacy page of OAHC's website to see OAHC's position on state and federal home care issues.

OAHC Committees

OAHC's strongest asset is its membership and members' willingness to share skills, knowledge and expertise. OAHC encourages all members to put their talent and expertise into action by volunteering for a committee.

- **Regulatory & Legislative Affairs Committee (RLAC)** – This committee addresses regulatory and legislative issues and promotes OAHC's identity and credibility with local, state and federal political leaders. RLAC addresses issues relating to the reimbursement of home-based health care services, and reviews and promotes industry standards for home-based health care services.
- **Education & Conference Committee** – This committee supports OAHC in fulfilling the organization's mission, vision and goals as directed by the OAHC Board of Directors and described in the annual strategic plan. The committee helps develop education for the annual conference, webinars and workshops based on membership needs.



Member Resources

OAHC Website

The OAHC website is designed to meet all your membership needs including online registration for events, access to the membership database, access to the “members-only” area and additional administrative membership needs. Please contact the OAHC office for member login information.

Home Care Tools & Resources

The Home Care Tools & Resources portal is exclusively available for OAHC members and includes examples of sample admission packets and policy resources. These resources can be found under services on the OAHC website.

Listserv

The OAHC listserv is a great resource to stay up to date on regulatory and legislative issues, OAHC news and educational offerings. Members utilize the listserv to ask questions and engage in information-sharing with their peers.

Career Center

The OAHC Career Center is the go-to place for Oregon home care and hospice jobs. The Career Center allows job seekers to upload their resume, apply to jobs and browse career resources, while allowing employers to post jobs, browse resumes and search for candidates. Members can receive 20% off their first purchase through the Career Center.

OAHC Quarterly Legislative & Regulatory Update Calls

OAHC provides quarterly conference call updates from its expert staff and Regulatory & Legislative Affairs Committee (RLAC). These calls are open to all members and are intended to provide updates on OAHC activities, as well as information on legislative and policy decisions on the state and federal levels that could impact your agency.

Home Health & Hospice Aide Competency Exam and Study Guide

OAHC developed the online Home Health & Hospice Aide Competency exam as a standard for the industry. This exam tests the basic competencies of individuals who have received training in accordance with the Oregon Nurse Practice Act to work as nursing assistants.

The Home Health & Hospice Aide Competency study guide was developed to aid in preparation for the exam and help Certified Nurse Assistants hired to work as Home Health Aides to better familiarize themselves with the areas of care in which they may be responsible. The study guide was developed based on various contributions from individuals serving on the OAHC Education and Conference Committee.



RCTCLEARN.NET

RCTCLEARN.NET is available to all OAHC members at no extra cost!

RCTCLEARN.NET provides quality training to home health and hospice care aides, LPNs, RNs and PTs. This comprehensive group of online training courses was designed specifically for the home health care and hospice industry.

All OAHC members have access to this online training service with a large and expanding number of home care training modules including home health and hospice education.

Over 100 courses in 10 program areas.

- When you become an OAHC member, you will receive:
- The RCTCLEARN.NET Course Catalog which includes a list of all the courses available to aides, LPNs, RNs and PTs
- A student guide to help get your staff signed into the online program
- A list of unique token codes that allow your staff to access all the education RCTCLEARN.NET has to offer
- An admin tool guide so you can monitor and manage your staff's progress



RCTC is great for new employee orientation and home health aide CMS mandatory annual education requirement satisfaction!

Member Discount Programs

Home Care Institute

OAHC partners with the Home Care Institute to offer members a 10% discount on their online home care and hospice courses. With an affordable annual subscription, your employees will have unlimited access to a comprehensive library of interactive and engaging online courses specific to your industry.

Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP)

CHAP is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body for community-based health care organizations, which accredits nine programs and services – Home Health, Hospice, HME, Pharmacy, Private Duty, Infusion Therapy Nursing, Public Health, Community Nursing Centers and Supplemental Staffing Services. OAHC members will receive a 50% discount on the CHAP accreditation service application fee – \$400 in savings!

The Corridor

The Corridor provides the home health, home care and hospice market with a one-stop shop for quality education. As a member of OAHC, you and your staff will receive a 15% discount on Corridor products, including webinars, as well as a 10% discount on CHEX eLearning with unlimited access.

