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OCN's 2026 Nursing Conference

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026 | HOLIDAY INN WILSONVILLE



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

This one-day conference is designed as a high-impact gathering for nursing professionals who are ready to think differently about the future of the field. It centers on a simple but urgent idea: sustainable healthcare depends on nurse well-being and a stronger professional culture.



Featuring keynote speaker **Dr. Renee Thompson of the Healthy Workforce Institute**, this conference brings together stakeholders from across the nursing profession to examine the systems shaping nursing today and the pressures affecting them, explore what it takes to build healthier work environments, strengthen professional identity, and support nurses across roles and settings.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Upon completion of this conference, participants will be able to:

- Identify workplace, organizational, and workforce factors that influence nurse well-being, retention, and the health of nursing practice environments.
- Recognize the effects of workplace incivility, bullying, violence, stress, burnout, and other disruptive behaviors on nurses, teams, and patient care.
- Examine evidence-based and practical strategies for fostering healthy work environments, psychological safety, professional respect, and workforce well-being.
- Explore approaches to strengthening recruitment, retention, professional development, and workforce sustainability across nursing practice and education settings.

Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 17790, for **6.8 contact hours**.

To receive CE credit, participants must meet the conference attendance requirements and complete all required documentation.



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Featured Program

OPENING KEYNOTE

Dr. Renee Thompson, DNP, RN, FAAN, CSP

Breaking the Cycle: Empowering Leaders to Address Bullying and Incivility

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Block 1

Dr. Troy Larkin, RN - *The Evolution of a Nursing Shortage: The Power of Retention*

OR

Dr. Ellen Singer, FAAP, FACP - *Caring for Caregivers: The Depth and Breadth of the Oregon Wellness Program*

Block 2

Rebekah Marsh, BSN, RN, CCRN - *On Purpose: Cultivating Healthy Work Environments*

OR

Dr. Rick Allgeyer - *Enough Nurses, But Not Everywhere: Understanding Oregon's Nursing Workforce*

Block 3

Rep. Travis Nelson - *From the Unit to the Capitol: How Oregon Law Shapes the Conditions Nurses Work In*

OR

Dr. Sarah Wickenhagen, FNP-C, APRN, LTC(Ret.), U.S. Army Reserve - *The Power of Culture in Retaining Nurses: Trust, Culture, and What Leaders Can Do About It*

RENEW INITIATIVE PANEL DISCUSSION

Featuring nursing education partners from Umpqua, Linn-Benton, Clatsop, and Central Oregon Community Colleges, and OHSU

CLOSING Q&A with Dr. Renee Thompson, DNP, RN, FAAN, CSP



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