

August 15, 2008

AURN Executive Committee
C/O Oregon Nurses Association
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Dear :

You are receiving this letter because you have been identified as an Ambulatory Care Nurse at OHSU. I am writing on behalf of the Ambulatory Care Task Force, to share their report and recommendations with you. The Task Force members finished their work and presented the final consensus report to Managers and Union Representatives in early July. I have enclosed a copy of that report for your review.

You may recall the Ambulatory Care Task Force was formed by agreement of the Union and OHSU during contract negotiations last year. The Task Force was to convene no later than February 1, 2008 and complete its work by July 1, 2008. Their specific task was to "address issues pertaining to the professional ambulatory nurses at OHSU, including market compensation, work flow, efficiencies, recruiting and retention and the role of the ambulatory nurse."

Union appointed Task Force members and alternates include Florence Seelig, Kerry Jones, Christine Low, Barbara Knopes, Stew Levy, Jean Rust, Linda Browne and Anne Kratz. These individuals put in hundreds of hours outside of their regular work day in meetings, gathering data, reviewing reports, and writing and finalizing the report and recommendations. We all owe these nurses a thank you for a job well done. Their commitment and professionalism are to be commended. We are proud of their final product and recommendations.

It is our hope that this matter can now be put to rest. Thank you all for your input, help and your patience during this process. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments related to the Task Force Report.

On behalf of the AURN Executive Committee and negotiating team,



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