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October THW Monthly Newsletter

Spooky season is here, but navigating THW work doesn't have to be! Take a look at this month's updates and opportunities to get involved.

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EOCCO Updates

NEW! Q3 THW Utilization Survey

EOCCO is reporting on its THW utilization for Q3 2024 (August 1, 2024 - September 30, 2024). If you provided any services in Q3, we want to know! Take a minute to fill out the quarterly utilization survey now. Thank you!

NEW! Birth Doula Training Application

Open until October 9th, or filled | [Apply here](#)

EOCCO is recruiting its second Birth Doula Cohort and applications to the training are now available. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis or until filled, with final admission decision made on October 16th. Training occurs November through

December with a blended format. See "Training" section below for more information.

NEW! EOCCO Birth Doula Hub

Calling all birth doulas! EOCCO has launched its birth doula hub, which provides an opportunity for doulas to receive client referrals, easily document information, and have EOCCO submit billing for rendered services. Anyone interested in contracting with the hub should email THW@eoocco.com.

Recruitment for the THW Workforce Committee | [Apply here](#)

Want to help shape the future of THW work in Eastern Oregon? Join EOCCO's THW Workforce Committee to give your perspective and feedback, review/propose materials, and contribute to innovative project! The committee will be filled with THWs, community partners, and clinics. Meetings will take place monthly-- apply now!

Annual EOCCO THW Survey -- win \$25 | [Take it here](#)

Every year, EOCCO must report on its THW Network to OHA. Please take a moment to fill out this year's THW Survey (all questions are optional). All survey responses will remain anonymous to OHA. ***Every THW who completes the survey will be entered to win one of two \$25 gift cards!***

Join EOCCO's Provider Registry | [Join here](#)

Want to be searchable and findable through EOCCO? Join EOCCO's Provider Registry! All THWs are encouraged to add their information to the Provider Portal so members can search by specialty type and contact you for services. Fill out the form above so we can list you!

Onboard onto Unite Us

Unite Us is a virtual platform to send, receive, and manage patient referrals across a network of providers, CBOs, and community resources. Unite Us also has built in social needs screening (OHA-compliant), seamlessly blending into THW work. If you'd like to be onboarded, contact THW@eoocco.com. Learn more on the attached flyer.

Personal Health Navigator Certification

EOCCO is supporting qualified individuals who want to become an OHA-certified Personal Health Navigator (PHN) through the Legacy Clause. A PHN is an individual who provides information, assistance, tools and support to enable a patient to make the best health care decisions. For information and to start your application, please email THW@eoocco.com.

Resources

Flyers

English

- [Birth Doula Flyer](#), providers
- [Birth Doula Flyer](#), members
- [Birth Doula Referral Form](#), providers/members
- [CHW Flyer](#), members
- [THW Flyer](#), members
- [THW Satisfaction Survey](#), link for members
- [THW Satisfaction Survey postcard](#), for members

Spanish

- [Birth Doula Flyer](#), providers
- [Birth Doula Flyer](#), members
- [CHW Flyer](#), members
- [THW Satisfaction Survey postcard](#), members

THW Guides

- [EOCCO THW Quick-Start and Billing Guide](#)
- [EOCCO's Community Resource Guide](#)
- [Become an EOCCO DMAP Provider](#)

Community Updates

NEW! Join the Rural Oregon CHW Network | [Sign up here](#)

The Rural Oregon CHW Network functions as a listserv to connect rural CHWs across the state. This is a space to network and form meaningful relationships with other CHWs, share knowledge, educational materials, tools, resources and opportunities, and promote advocacy and awareness campaigns.

NEW! OHA Recruiting for THW Commission | [Apply here](#)

Want to help shape THW rules, systems, training, and reimbursement? OHA's THW Commission is recruiting members to fill its Personal Health Navigator, Tribal Liaison, Youth Support Specialist, Family Support Specialist, and Consumer seats. Members have voting rights and are eligible to receive compensation for their time.

NEW! OHA's Rules Advisory Committee to hear CLSS

Beginning 2025, OHA intends on reimbursing THWs at higher rates if they qualify as a Culturally and Linguistically Specific THW. The upcoming RAC on November 6th, 2024, will hear public input, suggestions, and concerns during this meeting. Public meeting link will be shared at [Oregon Health Authority : Rules Advisory Committees and Community Engagement : Health Systems : State of Oregon](#).

OPHA Discounted Membership for THWs | [Sign up here](#)

The Oregon Public Health Association is offering a year-long membership to all THWs, Health Care Interpreters, QMHAs, and youth for just \$25. Membership includes discounted conference registration, opportunities to participate on

committees, OPHA voting rights updates, and connection to a statewide network. Sign up today for a special membership! When registering, select “Special” as the member type.

[Competency Testing for Lapsed THW Certification](#)

If your THW certification has lapsed and is expired by more than six months, OHA is now requiring Competency Testing to renew your certification (in addition to CEUs). You no longer have to go through another training! Testing involves written and in-person skill assessment. **Tests for all THW types are now available.**

OHA Q&A Sessions | [Register here](#)

OHA is offering monthly Q&A/Help sessions for THWs to get their questions answered, navigate the new [THW Provider Portal](#), and discuss application questions. More dates to be announced soon.

Meetings

NEW! Lunch and Learn: Birth Doula Cohort Webinar

October 8th | 12 - 1 pm PST | [Register here](#)

Are you interested in joining EOCCO's second Birth Doula Program cohort? Attend this webinar to learn about the application, program requirements, certification, and birth doula life in Eastern Oregon!

NEW! Lunch and Learn: EOCCO Birth Doula Hub

October 16 & November 6 | 12 - 1 pm PST | [Register here](#)

Interested in contracting with the Hub? Want to learn more and get an exclusive sneak peek? Join us for a Lunch and Learn to discover how you can become an EOCCO birth doula provider. You'll gain access to client referrals, simplified billing, and a comprehensive support system for all your doula needs!

THW Monthly Collaborative

Second Mondays | 10 am - 11 am PST | [Register here](#)

Join EOCCO's Traditional Health Worker Liaison to learn about monthly CCO updates, upcoming changes/events, and network with other THWs. For questions, presentations, or ideas, email THW@eocco.com. See below for topic outlines:

- October: Unite Us for THWs



YOU'RE INVITED!

THW Monthly Collaborative Meetings

- Connect with other THWs
- Meet EOCCO's THW Liaison
- Build community
- Share experiences
- Learn about updates, opportunities, & programs

Sign up here:



Meetings held over Zoom
10 AM second Mondays of the month

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Training Opportunities

Featured Trainings

NEW! Peer Support Specialist Foundational Training

FREE | November 4-12, 10am-2pm PST | Virtual | [Register here](#)

PeerPlus is a forty-hour Oregon Health Authority (OHA) approved training for Peer Support Specialists specifically tailored to fit the needs of youth and young adult peer support providers. Those who complete this training can register with the state of Oregon as certified Peer Support Specialists (PSS). This training is free by OHA for a limited number of trainees.

Featured Continuing Education

NEW! GOBHI Lunch and Learn Training Opportunities

FREE | 3rd Thursdays | Virtual

In an effort to improve access to GOBHI's training for network providers and offer Continuing Education Units (CEU's), we are excited to announce the 2024 Lunch and Learn Series. You can register for the following topics:

- [Stigma](#), October 17th, 12-1 pm PST
- [Basics of Guardianships](#), November 14th, 12-1 pm PST
- [Care Coordination OAR Updates](#), December 19th, 12-1 pm PST

NEW! QPR Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Virtual Training

FREE | November 7, 1pm - 3pm | Virtual | [Register here](#)

Build your confidence and capability to help someone in crisis with this three-step, evidence-based program. This two-hour training will also cover information about preventing suicide among older adults and veteran populations. 2 CEUs.

CHW Public Health Professional Development Series

FREE | August - March | Virtual | [Register here](#)

UT Health San Antonio is hosting a 7-part series on Public Health Skills for CHWs. The entire series is DSHS-certified and worth 10.5 CEUs. Each session is 1.5 CEUs and covers project management, data, evaluation, health literacy, and public health policy & advocacy. Sessions will run through March 2025.

Other Trainings & Continuing Education

For more training and CEU opportunities, follow [this link](#) to an updated Google Sheet. If you know of training opportunities you'd like to see in the sheet, please email THW@eocco.com.

**Have a success story or want to be featured for your work?
Submit your THW Spotlight here!**

If there is something you would like to see in our Monthly THW Newsletter, please reach out to the THW Liaison by email at THW@eocco.com or by phone at (503) 952-4995. TTY users, call 711.





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