



**Board of
Nursing**



OhioPHP

SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM

A confidential resource for licensees and certificate holders of the Ohio Board of Nursing

WHAT IS A SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

A confidential path for individuals to seek help for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders or other medical conditions. A therapeutic alternative to regulatory action for chronic illnesses.

WHAT SERVICES ARE OFFERED THROUGH THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

- Screening
- Referral for treatment or support
- Confidential Monitoring

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

- Advance Practice Registered Nurse
- Community Health Worker
- Dialysis Technician
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Medication Aide
- Registered Nurse
- State of Ohio Certified Doula
- License or Certificate Applicants

WHO ADMINISTERS THE OBN SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

OhioPHP is the designated monitoring organization for OBN. OhioPHP protects the confidentiality of program participants and referral sources to the fullest extent allowed by law.

If you or a colleague needs help, contact OhioPHP.

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FAQ

How do I enroll in the safe haven program?

*If you or a colleague needs help, contact OhioPHP. OhioPHP's clinical team may conduct a well-being screening and then will provide recommendations that **may** include additional evaluation for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders, individual counseling, and/or any necessary treatment. Once a diagnosis has been made, licensees may enroll in long-term, therapeutic monitoring through the safe haven program.*

What if I participate in a multistate licensure compact?

Per Ohio law, an applicant cannot obtain, nor can a licensee retain the multistate license privilege when currently enrolled in the safe haven program. OhioPHP is required to notify the Board of Nursing of any licensee or applicant who enrolls in the safe haven program for deactivation of the multistate licensure privilege for the duration of the nurse's participation in the safe haven program. Participation will be noted on NURSYS.com for other Boards of Nursing.

Is there a cost associated with the safe haven program?

OhioPHP has a sliding-scale structure for its fees. This ensures that we can continue to provide high-quality support while accommodating the diverse needs of our community. The sliding scale is designed to make our services accessible to all, regardless of financial circumstances. For more information, visit ohiophp.org/fees.

Safe Haven Program: ORC 4723.35 & 4723.351, OAC 4723-19-01, 4723-19-02 & 4723-19-03

Mandatory Reporting Requirements: ORC 4723.34, OAC 4723-7-08

Nurse Licensure Compact: ORC 4723.11

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