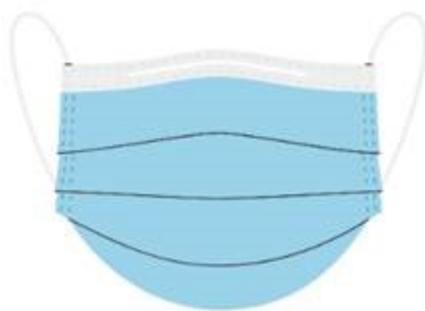




What We're Talking About

September 22, 2023



Oregon Health Authority (“OHA”) “strongly recommends” masks in Nursing Facilities through the COVID, Flu and RSV season.

We anticipate OHA will soon release guidance strongly recommending (not requiring – at this time) masking in high risk settings, including Nursing Facilities. At this time, we anticipate the recommendations will not include Assisted Living or Residential Care Facilities. Read more [here](#).



LeadingAge State Executives Share the Impact of CMS Proposed Staffing Mandate.

28 states explain how the proposal raises very real challenges for the whole health care sector and jeopardizes access to care for older Americans.” Read more [here](#).



Health-Related Spending Dominates Oregon Household Budgets.

Personal spending on healthcare has increased 40% since 2013. [Data](#) provided by the Oregon Health Authority shows Oregonians are spending 22% of their household budget on insurance premiums, prescription drugs and over-the-counter health care items.



Oregon State Board of Nursing Updates Materials

OSBN has issued new documentation on Division 47, including Nurse Practice Act educational presentational materials Nurse Practice Act educational presentational materials and the [Community-Based RN Delegation Process](#).