

Certified Occupational Health Nurses: Managing your employee health risk

Whether you're running a family-owned business or a Fortune 500 company, controlling the cost of healthcare is a fact of corporate life. The Certified Occupational Health Nurse can be your advocate in an often difficult-to-navigate healthcare system. More than a clinician, today's Certified Occupational Health Nurse has safety and health expertise and understands the inner workings of the healthcare system to make it work on your behalf.



SAVING MONEY... AND SAVING LIVES

The Certified Occupational Health Nurse (COHN or COHN-S) can save you money every step of the way, protect the health and safety of your employees and work to prevent future injuries and illness. The Certified Occupational Health Nurse also can save you time and aggravation by acting as the liaison between you and the healthcare system.

WHAT CAN A CERTIFIED OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH NURSE DO FOR YOU?

- Keep your employees well and working
- Assess jobs and tasks to identify hazards
- Reduce absenteeism
- Promote early, safe return to work
- Ensure compliance in OSHA, FMLA, ADA, DOT and HIPAA, etc.
- Promote a safe workplace
- Reduce on the job injuries and illnesses
- Lower health care expenditures
- Promote your company's "quality" image

What Is ABOHN?

ABOHN - Certifying the finest professionals for over three decades

The American Board for Occupational Health Nurses, Inc. (ABOHN) was established in 1972 to provide certification programs for Occupational Health Nurses. ABOHN is the sole certifying body for Occupational Health Nurses in the United States. Approximately 15,000 Occupational Health Nurses have been certified by ABOHN.

ABOHN is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE) - proof that our program meets high national standards for quality. When you hire an ABOHN Certified OHN, you are hiring a health and safety professional who is highly qualified to utilize field-tested expertise and the latest knowledge on your behalf.

Searching for a Certified Occupational Health Nurse in your area? Call us today!



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*Protecting employee
health & safety - and the
employer's bottom line*



Why Is Certification Essential?

The Occupational Health Nurse brings a unique perspective to management and clinical roles, acting as an employee advocate while balancing the needs of the organization. Employers and peers recognize certification in occupational health nursing as a prestigious achievement. Certified Occupational Health Nurses have passed a challenging national examination designed to test for advanced knowledge in clinical care, management, employee education, case management and safety. Certification also demonstrates that the Occupational Health Nurse is committed to competency, education and growth – all necessary to keep pace with the changing healthcare industry.

Important Facts for Employers about Certification

- Certification is more than a test – it is a process.
- Candidates must successfully complete a competitive national examination for Board Certification.
- Recertification is required every five years to ensure the health professional's continuing expertise.
- Criteria for recertification are stringent to ensure that ABOHN Certified Occupational Health Nurses can meet your needs today, tomorrow and beyond.

- The American Board for Occupational Health Nurses offers the following credentials:

- **Certified Occupational Health Nurse** – COHN does not require a Bachelor's degree.
- **Certified Occupational Health Nurse-Specialist** – COHN-S does require a Bachelor's degree.
- **Certified Occupational Health Nurse/Case Manager** – COHN/CM requires an additional case management examination.
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Recent employer studies placed the CERTIFIED OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH NURSE center stage. The results? A resounding ovation:

"The addition of a Certified Occupational Health Nurse has greatly enhanced the health and safety of our employees and increased morale ten-fold...."

"Certified Occupational Health Nurses have an impact because of their knowledge base and experience...."

"Our Certified Occupational Health Nurse Case Manager significantly helped us reduce costs for workers' compensation claims...."

"Immediate intervention and interaction after an injury has reduced our lost time...."

"The Certified Occupational Health Nurse is our point person on compliance with ADA and other regulations...."

"We put a very high value on our Occupational Health Nurses... They are a key part of our safety and health program."

"Our nurse is respected by management, the union and our employees... I don't believe we can do without someone who does the type of case management that our nurse does."

"Our Certified Occupational Health Nurse was instrumental in developing a highly effective Disaster Preparedness Program to deal with potential threat: our business and employees."

