

# OHIO RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

## April, 2022 Newsletter

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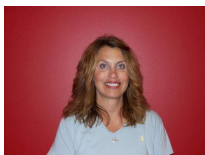
# Ohio Rural Health Association

## Letter from the President

April 11, 2022

Hello Rural Health Advocates,

We have exciting news to share! With your help, the Ohio Rural Health Association continues to grow. We are very pleased that we have been able to post and hire a half-time Program Manager. Rosanna Scott is from northwest Ohio and will be assisting with day-to-day office needs, membership, our annual conference and more. She is passionate about ensuring that those who live in rural communities have access to the care that they need. Please help me welcome Rosanna!



Please contact Rosanna at [programmanager@ohioruralhealth.org](mailto:programmanager@ohioruralhealth.org) with any questions or to learn about how you can become involved.

We are also happy to announce that the Ohio Rural Health Conference will be held in person August 1-2, 2022 at Salt Fork Lodge & Conference Center. We look forward to seeing familiar faces, greeting new friends and together, finding opportunities to improve access to healthcare for those in rural communities. Save the Date! More information will be forthcoming about registration and submitting session proposals.

We believe by working together, we can shine a light on the healthcare needs of Ohio's rural communities, as well as the strengths that exist in rural communities.

If you haven't updated your membership, please take a moment to do so now via this link.

[JOIN NOW](#)

- \* Student \$25
- \* Individual \$50
- \* Nonprofit \$100 (includes 5 members)
- \* Corporate \$250 (includes 5 members)

ORHA Members will receive a discount on conference registration. Members also receive other benefits such as our newsletter, professional education scholarships, committee opportunities and much more!

Happy Spring!

Sharon Casapulla  
President  
Ohio Rural Health Association



The State Office of Rural Health and  
the Ohio Rural Health Association Present

# THE 2022 OHIO RURAL HEALTH CONFERENCE



SAVE THE DATE

August 1 - 2 , 2022

Salt Fork Lodge & Conference Center



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## **Call for Ohio Rural Health Conference Presentations**

Do you want to present a poster or a workshop session  
at the Ohio Rural Health Conference (August 1-2, 2022)?

It's time to submit your request!

Submissions are due by May 15, 2022

Click survey to submit your proposal.

[SURVEY](#)



### **Scholarship Program**

The **Ohio Rural Health Association Scholarship Program** is intended to promote professional development and training of individuals who contribute to the mission and vision of ORHA.

ORHA members may apply for up to \$500.

Members may apply to funds every two years; preference is given to members who have not previously received funds.

*These funds are provided in partnership with the State Office of Rural Health at the Ohio Department of Health.*

For more information, please email [programmanager@ohioruralhealth.org](mailto:programmanager@ohioruralhealth.org)

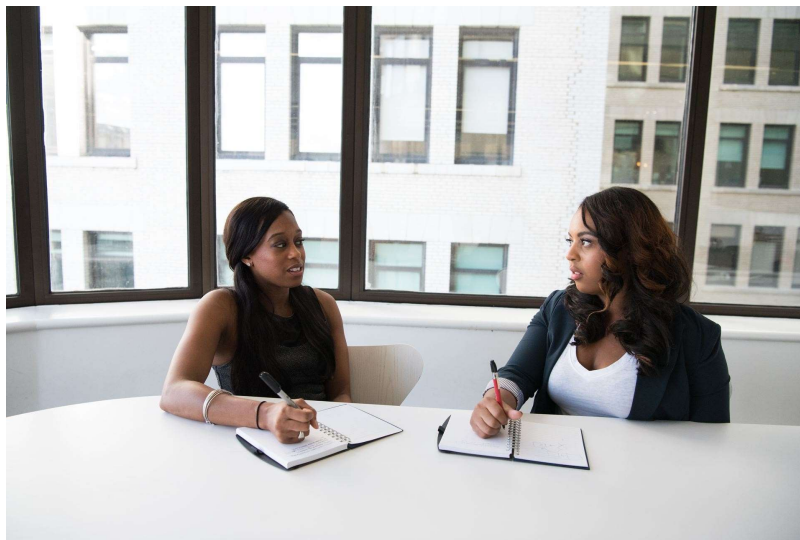
## Ohio Rural Health Clinic Networking Group

The ORHA, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Health State Office of Rural Health, has launched **The Ohio Rural Health Clinic Networking Group**. This group is designed by and for our members working in both Independent and Provider Based Rural Health Clinics in Ohio. The group will provide education, networking and advocacy efforts for the important work that happens in Rural Health Clinics.

We are working to build a comprehensive list of contacts for anyone working in a Rural Health Clinic in Ohio, and also to determine the high priority needs of our clinics. **In order to accomplish this, we are asking that anyone affiliated with a Rural Health Clinic fill out this survey by May 1, 2022.**

Please share this with others you know working in Rural Health Clinics so we can get an in-depth view of the needs in our state.

### [RURAL HEALTH CLINIC SURVEY](#)



## **ORHA Legislative News**

The Ohio Rural Health Institution is committed to advocating for rural health access. Recently, our legislative committee advocated for the following at the Policy Institute.

Please visit the below sites to read more about the National Rural Health Association 2022 Policy agenda and appropriations request.

**[NRHA POLICY](#)**

**[REQUEST](#)**

## **COVID-19 VACCINE EDUCATION**

The Ohio Department of Health has developed a COVID-19 vaccine boosters communications toolkit.

As part of Ohio's ongoing work to encourage Ohioans to get their COVID-19 booster shot, this communications toolkit has been developed to provide tools that may be used to help promote key messages.

Included in this introduction are key points about Ohio's efforts and specific recommended opportunities to ramp up efforts to encourage boosters throughout Ohio's communities.

**[LEARN MORE](#)**

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