



Orientation Guide



Congratulations on your new role with PeaceHealth.

We are excited to welcome you to our network of over 16,000 caregivers throughout Alaska, Oregon, and Washington.

This guide will provide insight into our culture and ministry. We encourage you to read this before your first day.

Welcome to PeaceHealth!

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Connecting to PeaceHealth

Our Mission Statement

We carry on the healing mission of Jesus Christ by promoting personal and community health, relieving pain and suffering, and treating each person in a loving and caring way.

Our Core Values

Respect

We respect the dignity and appreciate the worth of each person as demonstrated by our compassion, caring, and acceptance of individual differences.

Stewardship

We choose to serve the community and hold ourselves accountable to exercise ethical and responsible stewardship in the allocation and utilization of human, financial, and environmental resources.

Collaboration

We value the involvement, cooperation, and creativity of all who work together to promote the health of the community.

Social Justice

We build and evaluate the structures of our organization and those of society to promote the just distribution of healthcare resources.

Our Vision

Every person receives safe, compassionate care; every time, every touch.

[View This Video](#)

We encourage you to view this powerful YouTube video to learn more about what it's like to be a [PeaceHealth caregiver](#)

A Higher Purpose

Everything we do is in service to a higher purpose: to work with and help our neighbors live healthier, happier lives.

We take care of the needs of people; we don't simply treat patients. We put people at the center, enabling them to be their best, and providing personalized, compassionate care when they are not. We make them feel welcome, comfortable, and safe. We are neighbors, caring for and loving one another, for the betterment of all.

Caring for those in our community is not new to PeaceHealth; it's been in practice since the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace arrived in Fairhaven, Washington to serve the needs of the loggers, mill workers, fishermen and their families. They knew strong, healthy communities benefit individuals and society, and that social and economic factors can make some community members especially vulnerable. The Sisters believed they had a responsibility to care for them, and that ultimately, healthier communities enable all of us to rise to a better life.

This philosophy inspires us today and guides us toward the future.

A Culture of Safety

Across PeaceHealth we are committed to a focus on quality and safety. From strategic initiatives focused on *100% Perfect Care, Zero Harm* to innovative Lean transformation work, we understand that being a leader in these areas is essential to our mission and the patients, families, and communities we serve.

A culture of safety includes *every* caregiver, in every role at PeaceHealth. This is why we've implemented processes such as Safety STOP where all caregivers are empowered to 'stop the line' when they are aware of a patient safety event that could result in serious harm or death. In addition, focusing on specific workflows such as a Patient Identification ensure that any patient who comes to PeaceHealth can expect to receive safe, quality care.

The connection between safety and work/life balance cannot be overlooked. It's proven that caregivers who are able to disconnect from work have improved mental health and are less likely to make mistakes. At PeaceHealth we care for the whole person, our caregivers and patients alike.

You'll learn much more about our safety policies and procedures during your orientation activities.

Diversity & Inclusivity

Throughout PeaceHealth's over 130-year history, we have continuously challenged ourselves to answer the call for social and health justice. Our Mission, Vision and Values guide us toward respect for diversity, inclusion, and cultural humility, and they hold us accountable to these deeply held commitments.

We respect **diversity**, the range of human differences, including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, age, social class, physical and mental ability, religious or ethical values systems, national origin, and political beliefs. We believe that all people are inherently valuable.

We strive to practice **inclusion**, not only by valuing diverse perspectives and creating a workplace that welcomes diversity in all its forms, but by creating and providing a sense of encouragement, empowerment and belonging. We enable inclusion by actively creating workplace environments, care systems and healing environments that embrace diversity. We further enhance inclusion by supporting PeaceHealth Caregiver Affinity Groups (CAGs) that build a sense of belonging among caregivers, cultural awareness within our organization and serve diverse communities. All caregivers are welcome to join any of our CAGs.

We approach everything and everyone with a **cultural humility** and compassionate curiosity, coupled with a commitment to continual process of learning and openness.

We call on you today to stand against injustice and health inequities. Racism, xenophobia, and discrimination have no place in our society, and certainly no place at PeaceHealth. You will learn more about PeaceHealth's antiracist and health equity initiatives, education, and CAGs, during orientation. If you have questions prior to that please email us at cidea@peacehealth.org.

We hope that these foundational attributes **excite** and **inspire** you as you begin your career journey with PeaceHealth. We will "see" you soon.

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