Package Proposal w/Appendix B - Clinical Ladder

Note: This proposal is contingent upon tentative agreement of the full collective bargaining agreement no later than 1/31/2024. This proposal is also contingent upon there being no work stoppage. If the contract is not tentatively agreed upon by 1/31/2024 or if there is a work stoppage, this proposal will be considered to have been rejected and PSVMC reserves the right to revert to current contract language.

APPENDIX A – COMPENSATION

A. <u>Wage Rates</u>. - The following are the rates of pay of all Registered nurses employed under the terms of this Agreement.

Year 1, 2024; Effective the second full pay period following ratification: Market adjustment of \$2.00 to each step, plus across the board increase of five percent (5%).

Step	New Rate
Resident 1	\$50.47
Resident 2	\$51.67
1	\$52.84
2	\$55.06
3	\$57.15
4	\$59.04
5	\$59.64
6	\$60.78
2 3 4 5 6 7	\$61.95
8	\$62.56
9	\$63.16
10	\$63.76
11	\$64.38
12	\$65.00
13	\$65.65
14	\$66.29
15	\$66.76
16	\$67.24
17	\$67.74
18	\$68.24
19	\$68.72
20	\$69.07
21	\$69.39
22	\$69.74
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Resident Nurses. Registered nurses will progress from Resident 1 to Resident 2 automatically upon the pay period following completion of their introductory period or sooner when they become fully competent and independently take a full patient assignment in all units to which they may be assigned.

Year 2, 2025; Effective the pay period that includes January 1, 2025: a three and one-half percent (3.5%) across the board increase.

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Step	2025 Rate
Resident 1	\$52.24
Resident 2	\$53.48
1	\$54.69
2	\$56.99
3	\$59.15
2 3 4 5	\$61.11
5	\$61.73
6 7	\$62.91
7	\$64.12
8	\$64.75
9	\$65.37
10	\$65.99
11	\$66.63
12	\$67.28
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Retention Bonus - Registered nurses who were slotted on step 25 of the wage scale during calendar year 2019 will receive a retention bonus equal to seventy-five cents (\$0.75) for every hour worked from 2019 through 2024. This bonus will be paid out on the pay date following the second full pay period of 2025 to said RNs who are still employed at the time of the payment.

Step Progression:

- Registered nurses' compensation shall be computed on the basis of hours worked.
- 2. A Registered nurse shall progress according to the year-to-year wage progression set forth in this Section at the end of each anniversary date, provided that they have worked a minimum of seven hundred (700) hours. In the case where a Registered nurse has not worked seven hundred (700) hours during any anniversary year, advancement to the next wage step shall be delayed until completion of seven hundred (700) hours of work. Computation of seven hundred (700) hours in the following years shall commence upon completion of the prior seven hundred (700)-hour requirement. For the purposes of this Section, hours not worked as a result of Low Census will be credited towards the nurse's seven hundred (700) -hour requirement.
- B. Additional Wage Provisions. Effective the second full, pay period following ratification.
 - Registered nurses' compensation shall be computed on the basis of hours worked.
 - A Registered nurse temporarily assigned to a higher position and shift shall be compensated for such work at no less than the minimum rate of pay applicable to the higher position if such assignment lasts for a period of four (4) hours or more.
 - Regularly scheduled part-time nurses shall receive consideration for promotional advancement.
 - 4. Merit Raises. The Association recognizes this contract to contain the

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minimum standards of employment. This contract should not be construed to limit management's right to reward an individual nurse's performance over and above the prescribed conditions called for in this Agreement.

5. <u>Credit for Prior Experience</u>. - A newly hired Registered nurse may be hired at any step, but not less than the step number that corresponds with the number of years of the Registered nurse's related experience as a Registered nurse employee of an accredited acute care hospital(s) during the immediately preceding five (5) years. Newly hired Registered nurses will not be placed higher than step twenty-two (22) unless approved by the CNO. For Registered nurses hired in the Behavioral Health Unit, experience at the Oregon State Hospital shall be counted as equal to that of an accredited acute care facility. A year of experience under this Section is one-thousand eight hundred and seventy-two (1,872) hours of the related work. The Medical Center may, in its discretion, place a newly hired experienced Registered nurse at a higher step rate of pay.

C. <u>Differentials</u>.

Charge Nurses. - Charge nurses shall receive a differential of four, dollars, (\$4.00) per hour in addition to the appropriate hourly rate set forth in Section A above. Relief charge nurses shall receive, during the period of assignment to the charge nurse function, three dollars (\$3.00) per hour in addition to the appropriate hourly rate set forth in Section A. above.

2. Shifts.

 Registered nurses will be deemed to be assigned for shifts as follows:

Half or more of the nurse's assigned hours are between the hours of:	Shift
7 a.m. and 3 p.m.	Day
3 p.m. and 11 p.m.	Evening
11 p.m. and 7 a.m.	Night

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Such assigned hours do not include hours which fit the definition of daily overtime hours under Article V, Section D.

- Registered nurses assigned for evening and night shifts shall be paid, in addition to the appropriate rate set forth in Section A above, as follows:
 - i. Evening shift: two dollars and eighty-five cents (\$2.85) per hour.
 - ii. Night Shift: six dollars and twenty cents (\$6.20) per hour.
- c. If the Registered nurse's assigned hours fit more than one shift definition under subparagraph a above, the Registered nurse will be deemed to be assigned for the shift with the higher shift differential.
- d. If a Registered nurse is assigned to work hours which fit the definition of daily overtime hours under Article V, Section D, the nurse shall be paid shift differential, if any, for such daily overtime hours according to the Registered nurse's assigned shift under 1 above. However, if a nurse works four (4) or more hours of such daily overtime in a workday, the applicable shift differential for such daily overtime hours shall be the higher of (a) the shift differential of the nurse's assigned shift or (b) the shift differential of the shift in which the majority of such overtime hours are worked. For purposes of (b) in the preceding sentence, the day shift is considered to be 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., the evening shift 3 p.m. to 11 p.m., and the night shift 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. This paragraph will apply only to hours for which shift differential would not otherwise be paid under the other paragraphs of this Section 2.

e. However:

i. Registered nurses scheduled for a twelve-hour shift commencing from 6:00 am to 8:00 am, (day shift as defined above) will be paid evening shift differential for all hours worked on the shift after 3:30 p.m., if those hours

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do not otherwise qualify for shift differential under the other paragraphs of this Section 2; and

- ii. Registered nurses who, on the date of ratification of this Agreement are regularly assigned to a shift for which they receive shift differential pay for hours that would not be eligible for shift differential pay under 2.a, above, will continue to be paid the shift differential for those hours. This paragraph will cease to apply once the nurse is assigned to another shift. The nurse will thereafter be subject to the preceding paragraphs.
- Certifications. A Registered nurse who meets the requirements of this Section shall receive a three dollar (\$3.00) per hour certification differential.
 - a. The Registered nurse must have a current <u>certification on file</u> with the Medical Center for the area where the nurse works a significant number of hours that meets one of these criteria:
 - i. Magnet-recognized certification;
 - ii. Certification accredited by one of the following accrediting bodies: National Commission Certifying Agencies, ISO 170-024 or Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification; and/or
 - iii. Any other certification previously approved by a PSVMC
 Chief Nursing Officer for a specific unit.
 - b. Eligibility for the certification differential will cease beginning with the first full pay period following the expiration date of the certification, unless the nurse submits proof to the Medical Center of certification renewal before that date. If the proof is submitted to the Medical Center after that date, the certification differential will be resumed beginning with the first full pay period following the submission.
 - c. A Registered nurse will be deemed to have worked a significant number of hours in the area if at least one half (1/2) of the nurse's hours worked are in that area. The Medical Center may, in its discretion, determine that some lower proportion of hours

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d. Only one (1) certification and one certification differential will be recognized at a time for the purposes of this Section. Registered nurses with multiple recognized certifications will receive certification differential for only one (1) at a time.

- e. The Medical Center will specify not less than one certification to be recognized for each of the following areas: med/surg, day/surg, float, surgery, critical care, IV therapy, emergency, family maternity, recovery, orthopedics, neuroscience, psych, and kidney dialysis.
 - 4. <u>Preceptors</u>. A Registered nurse assigned as a preceptor will be paid a differential of three dollars (\$3.00) worked as a preceptor. A preceptor is a nurse who is designated by their nurse manager to:
 - i. assess the learning needs of a Registered nurse (nurse resident, fellow, capstone student nurse; newly hired experienced nurse, and/or agency nurse);
 - ii. plan the Registered nurse's learning program
 - iii. implement the program;
 - iv. provide direct guidance and supervision to the Registered nurse during the program; and
 - in conjunction with the nurse manager and/or designee, evaluate the Registered nurse's progress during the program.

This differential will not be paid for any unworked hours or for any hours when the Registered nurse is not working as a preceptor. Additionally, preceptor pay will not be paid for general orientation to the unit when there is no need to assess and address the learning needs of a Registered nurse.

5. Weekends. - A Registered nurse will be paid a weekend differential of

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two dollars (\$2.00) per hour worked on the weekend. No weekend differential will be paid for any unworked hours. Weekend shifts are defined as shifts beginning within the period from 7:00 p.m. on Friday through 6:59 a.m.

6. Nursing Float Pools (Children's Nursing Float Pool, Critical Care Float Pool, and Nursing Float Pool). Levery Registered nurse in a position within one of the float pools shall initially receive a differential of two dollars (\$2.00) per hour for hours worked in a float assignment. After a Registered nurse has had one year of full-time work in their designated

float pool (1872 hours), their float pool differential will increase to three dollars (\$3.00) per hour for hours worked in a float assignment.

D. <u>Standby Compensation</u>. - The following standby compensation policies shall apply to all Registered nurses:

on Monday.

- Registered nurses scheduled for voluntary standby shall be paid the sum of four dollars and seventy-<u>five</u> cents (\$4.7<u>5</u>) for each hour of scheduled standby.
- 2. Time actually worked on a call-back while on scheduled standby shall be paid for at one and one-half (1 ½) times the Registered nurse's regular straight-time hourly rate of pay for a minimum of three (3) hours. Such premium pay rate will begin with the time the nurse actually begins work during the standby period. Such premium rate will apply only where (1) the nurse has first clocked out and then received a call from the nurse's unit manager or designee asking the nurse to return to work or (2) where the nurse continues his or her scheduled shift for sixty (60) minutes or more. If the nurse continues his or her scheduled shift for fifty-nine (59) minutes or less, the nurse will receive one hour of the premium rate.
- Mandatory Scheduled Standby. For Registered nurses who work in units with mandatory scheduled standby, the following provisions will apply:
 - a. Registered nurses scheduled for mandatory scheduled standby shall be paid the sum of six dollars (\$6.00) for each hour of mandatory scheduled standby.

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- b. If staffing on a unit with mandatory standby requires that Registered nurses exceed fifty-two (52) hours of standby in a four (4) week schedule, such nurses will for such schedules be paid ten dollars (\$10.00) for all standby hours in excess of fiftytwo (52).
- Scheduling of all standby hours will be distributed fairly and equitably among affected nurses.
- d. On units where a Registered nurse or nurses wish to voluntarily exceed fifty-two (52) hours of scheduled standby per four (4)week schedule, all such voluntary hours in excess of fifty-two (52) will be paid at six dollars (\$6.00) per hour.

Nursing units with mandatory scheduled standby will also follow the provisions in Appendix D.

4. Short Notice Standby Shift Incentive Bonus. A lump sum incentive bonus will be paid to nurses who pick up scheduled standby shifts on short notice. This applies to any mandatory schedule call shift that becomes vacant after the schedule posts due to an unexpected absence (e.g., sick calls, LOAs, employment separations). This lump sum bonus will be paid no later than the end of the schedule period following the standby shift taken. The bonus will be calculated based upon \$15 per hour on standby.

E. Extra Shifts.

1. Extra shifts differential. - A Registered nurse will be paid a differential of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour for all hours worked per week in excess of thirty-six (36), when such excess hours result from the nurse agreeing to work an extra shift of at least four (4) hours in duration (three and a half (3.5) hours for nine (9)-hour shift nurses), at the request of the Medical Center. The differential will not be paid for any unworked hours. To be eligible for the extra shift differential, the Registered nurse must have worked the scheduled shifts of their FTE during the work week.

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- Hours worked. For the purposes of determining hours worked under Paragraph 1 above, regularly scheduled hours actually worked in the week will be counted, and the following regularly scheduled hours will also be counted for the week:
 - a. Not worked because of Low Census;
 - Not worked because the Medical Center required attendance at a specific education program;
 - Not worked because the nurse was on a paid educational leave from such hours; and
 - d. Not worked because the nurse was excused due to a holiday under Article VI, Section A (including a compensating day off given for one of those holidays), from hours that would otherwise have been worked.

Hours worked in determining eligibility for this differential will not include hours worked as a result of trades.

- 3. Hours worked as a result of being called into work while on a mandatory standby shift will be paid with the extra shift_differential only when such hours exceed four (4) in the callback shift and will exceed thirty-six (36) hours in the week.
- 4. Regular part-time Registered nurses will qualify for incentive pay for hours above their FTE provided that such hours are part of an extra shift of at least four (4) hours and that they have picked up responsibility for the shift within twenty-four (24) hours of the start of the shift.
- 5. Scheduled extra shifts. After the scheduling plan sheet is processed, the unit manager will determine which vacant shifts will be offered as scheduled extra shifts. These scheduled extra shifts will be designated on the list of open shifts on the unit. Prior to the Posting of the Final Schedule, only open shifts designated as scheduled extra shifts will qualify for the extra shift incentive.
 - a. Prior to offering any extra shifts, the Medical Center may offer each volunteering resource nurse up to thirty-six (36) hours of

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- b. Each regular part-time and full-time qualified Registered nurse will be given preference for these shifts in order of the nurse's seniority, for up to two (2) extra shifts in the nurse's home unit during the schedule period, provided, however, that nurses indicating a willingness to float within their cluster will have priority over nurses who do not make themselves available to float. The order specified above will recur until all the open shifts have been assigned or there are no remaining requests for an open shift.
- These shifts will be coded on the final posted schedule as scheduled extra shifts.
- d. If a scheduled extra shift is canceled, and if standby is needed by the Medical Center, the nurse will be given the option to be on standby for the nurse's cluster.
- e. Any Registered nurse scheduled to work an extra shift will receive at least two (2) hours' advance notice if the shift is to be canceled. This notice requirement will be deemed satisfied by a reasonable effort to notify the nurse by telephone not to report for work.
- f. If the foregoing notice provision is not satisfied, or if the Registered nurse is permitted to come to work without receiving any notice, the nurse is eligible to receive four (4) hours of pay in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1 herein.
- g. Registered nurses working scheduled extra shifts are subject to being called off, after four (4) hours of work, prior to any other nurse working a regular shift, subject to the particular needs of patients and continuity of patient care at the time of the call-off.
- h. Qualifications. To qualify for working an extra shift, a
 Registered nurse must have the skill, ability and qualifications

that meet the needs for the particular assignment. Nurses may be disqualified from working an extra shift for a period of six (6) months after receiving a corrective action.

Pyramiding. There shall be no pyramiding of time-and-one-half and/or double-time premiums under this Agreement. An hour for which such a premium is payable under a provision of this agreement will not be counted toward any other time and one-half or higher premium for that or any other hour.