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AOHP Elects Key Leaders to Executive Board Positions

WEXFORD, PA – The Association of Occupational Health Professionals in Healthcare (AOHP) is pleased to share the results of its recent election of key leaders to the AOHP Executive Board of Directors. The officers were announced earlier this month at the association’s Annual Business Meeting and Awards Luncheon, held in Fort Worth, TX, during the AOHP Annual National Conference. All terms run two years and end in September 2026.

The incoming Executive Board members bring a wealth of knowledge, experience, and leadership involvement:

- Newly-elected Executive Vice President Mary Giovannetti, DNP, APRN, FNP, who previously served as Region 5 Director.
- Re-elected Executive Treasurer Sally M. Parris, MSN, RN, COHN.
- Re-elected Region 1 Director Andrea Dayot, BSN, RN.
- Re-elected Region 3 Director Elizabeth Bennett, BSN, RN, MA, COHN-S, BCLC.
- Newly elected Region 5 Director Mary Close Hall, BSN, RN, who served prior as a Chapter Board leader.

Incoming Executive Vice President Mary Giovannetti has 18 years’ experience in occupational health. “I am motivated to continue to serve at the national level because AOHP has meant so much to me in providing education, resources, and support,” she states. “My priority goals are to ensure that AOHP’s strategic initiatives support a thriving organization, to provide support and education to each region, and to support the Executive President in her duties.”

Executive Treasurer Sally Parris has been active in AOHP leadership and the field of occupational health for two decades. Her goals include maintaining an accurate budget and being fiscally responsible for the association’s finances. “It has been an honor to serve as Executive Treasurer these past two years,” she explains. “I look forward to continuing to help AOHP grow as a nationally-recognized organization through networking, recruiting, and member support.”

AOHP’s five Region Directors are tasked to provide support and promote sustainability locally at the chapter level, which helps to advance the visibility of AOHP regionally and nationally. These directors assist each chapter leader, provide networking opportunities, research best practices, share critical practice information, and promote continuing education efforts on behalf of their respective regions.

Re-elected Region 1 Director Andrea Dayot will continue to engage, connect, and support the leaders and members of her region, expanding awareness to the excellent resources AOHP offers. “AOHP is an amazing organization, and it is an honor to have a voice and platform to support my colleagues and profession.”

Elizabeth Bennett, re-elected to the position of Region 3 Director, brings 14 years of practice knowledge and experience as a leader in AOHP. “I am thrilled to be a part of an organization that understands the unique needs of occupational health professionals in healthcare.”

New Region 5 Director Mary Close Hall previously served as both President and Treasurer of the AOHP North Carolina Chapter. “My priorities include assisting chapter officers in developing strategic goals, organizing educational programs, and increasing region membership.”

Other AOHP Board members, whose terms run through September 2025, are: Executive President Stacy Smirl, MSM, BSN, RN, COEE, COHN-S; Executive Secretary Cynthia Hall, RN, MSN, BSN, COHN-S/CM; Region 2 Director Carissa Imrecke, MBA, BS; Region 4 Director Lori Bechtel, MSN, RN, NE-BC; Executive Editor Kimberly Stanchfield, RN, COHN-S; and Community Liaison Bobbi Jo Hurst, MBA, BSN, RN, COHN-S, SGE. Former Executive President Lydia Crutchfield, MA, BSN, RN, CLC, is serving as President Emeritus.

Led by an experienced and dedicated group of occupational health professionals, AOHP provides essential tools that empower members to ensure the health, safety, and wellbeing of healthcare workers. The association’s vision is to be internationally recognized as the leading resource provider for the occupational health professional in healthcare. AOHP provides: advocacy for employee health and safety; occupational health education and networking opportunities; health and safety advancement through best practice and research; and partnerships with employers, regulatory agencies, and related associations. For more information, contact AOHP Headquarters at 800-362-4347, or e-mail info@aohp.org.

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