



# OhioPHP

## **SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM**

A confidential resource for  
licensees of the Ohio Veterinary  
Medical Licensing Board

### **WHAT IS A SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?**

A confidential path for individuals to seek help for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders and a therapeutic alternative to regulatory awareness for chronic illnesses.

### **WHAT SERVICES ARE OFFERED THROUGH THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?**

- Community Resource Referrals
- Well-Being Screenings
- Confidential Monitoring

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?**

- Veterinarians
- Vet Techs
- All applicants

### **WHO ADMINISTERS THE VET BOARD'S SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?**

OhioPHP is the designated monitoring organization for the OVMLB safe haven program. OhioPHP protects the confidentiality of program participants and referral sources to the fullest extent allowed by law.

*If you or a colleague needs help, contact OhioPHP.*

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## FAQ

### How do I enroll in the safe haven program?

*If you or a colleague needs help, contact OhioPHP. OhioPHP's clinical team will conduct a well-being screening and then will provide recommendations that **may** include additional evaluation for burnout, mental health or substance use disorders, individual counseling, and/or any necessary treatment. Once a qualifying condition has been identified, licensees may enroll in long-term, therapeutic monitoring through the safe haven program.*

### Will the OVMLB know about my safe haven program participation?

*No - OhioPHP will not disclose to the OVMLB the name or any records associated with a licensee enrolled in the safe haven program, as long as they are compliant with the terms of their monitoring agreement.*

### Is there a cost associated with the safe haven program?

*OhioPHP has a sliding-scale structure for its fees. This ensures that we can continue to provide high-quality support while accommodating the diverse needs of our community. The sliding scale is designed to make our services accessible to all, regardless of financial circumstances. For more information, visit [ohiophp.org/fees](https://ohiophp.org/fees).*

### Why should I contact OhioPHP?

OhioPHP provides a confidential, therapeutic alternative to regulatory board awareness. The Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board will not institute disciplinary action against any applicant or licensee who is engaged in services with OhioPHP for issues related to their mental health or substance use. In addition to working with safe haven participants, OhioPHP provides education, outreach and advocacy to support professional health and well-being.

*Program Adheres to: OAC 4741-1-25, ORC 4741.22, and ORC 4741.31*

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