



Rhode Island Medical Society  
**Physician Health Program**  
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Anyone can make a referral to the Rhode Island Medical Society's Physician Health Program (RIPHP), including physicians or other healthcare practitioners who refer themselves. Most referrals come from concerned colleagues, hospitals and other healthcare systems, and the Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline and other licensing boards.

### **How to Make a Referral to RIPHP:**

If you are concerned about yourself or a colleague, **call the RIPHP office at 401-443-2383**, and ask to speak with the Program Director. In an emergency, if you have been unable to reach the Program Director, the outgoing voice message will provide you with a contact number for a member of the Physician Health Committee.

We are available to discuss any questions or concerns you might have about making a referral to our program. RIPHP is open Monday through Friday with emergency on-call coverage for evenings and weekends.

### **Follow up with the Referral:**

The RIPHP Program Director and a member of the Physician Health Committee will meet with the healthcare practitioner for an initial intake appointment. At that time, RIPHP may recommend a formal, independent evaluation. RIPHP will be available to guide this process and will review the findings with the healthcare practitioner. Once this has occurred and if the practitioner has signed a written consent to communicate directly with the referral source, we will provide a summary of the recommendations on behalf of the practitioner. This may include further evaluation, treatment, and/or an ongoing monitoring agreement with the RIPHP.