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NDLTCA Newsletter

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NDLTCA Updates

Allan B. Engen Scholarships

All Members

Heartfelt congratulations to the remarkable [recipients of the Allan B. Engen scholarships](#). Your passion and dedication shine brightly, illuminating the path to a future filled with compassion and healing. May this scholarship be a steppingstone towards realizing your dreams and making an indelible impact on the lives you touch. Wishing you continued success and fulfillment in your journey of compassion and care.

Note: Please remind your recipient to send us their grades.

There will be three more \$1,000 scholarships available this spring. Please encourage your nursing students to complete their applications by **April 1, 2024**.

[Application information](#)

New Member Orientation

All Members

Join us on **January 17th, from 10 am to 2 pm** in Bismarck, to explore the extensive benefits and resources offered by the North Dakota Long Term Care Association for our valued members. Additionally, seize the opportunity to meet with the staff from the ND Department of Health and Human Services. This event promises valuable insights into the support available to you—don't miss out!

RSVP to Carol at Carol@ndltca.org

ND Department of Health and Human Services

**ND HHS Emergency Preparedness &
Response DOC is on Call 24/7/365 for Your
Emergency Needs!**

CALL 701-328-0707

All Members

If you have a heating source issue, a refrigeration issue, a generator issue; any emergency that you are having difficulty problem-solving please contact them. They are there to help!

ND HHS: Seeks comments on ND Medicaid Quality Strategy Plan

BC and NF

North Dakota Health and Human Services Medical Services Division is seeking public comment on the 2024 draft of the North Dakota (ND) Medicaid Quality Strategy Plan. The comprehensive plan includes monitoring and ongoing process improvement to ensure ND Medicaid members receive quality health care and services that support their overall health and well-being. Written comments will be accepted **until Jan. 2, 2024**.

[Submit comments here](#)

Quality

Medicaid Value-Based Purchasing in Nursing Facilities- Payments begin June 2024

NF

The ND Department of Health and Human Services has implemented an incentive payment program for nursing facilities based on the five measures below:

- Hospitalizations,
- antipsychotic use,
- urinary tract infections,
- pressure ulcers, and the
- adoption of the Baldrige Framework for quality.

Deadline for applications for participating in the Baldrige Quality Awards is January 25, 2024 for payments in June 2025. See below for an upcoming workshop.

[Read more...](#)



2024 Bronze Quality Award Workshop

All Members

Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 2pm EST.

[2024 Bronze Quality Award Workshop on January 10 \(ahcancal.org\)](#)

AHCA/NCAL Updates

***New Resources from National Center for Assisted Living (NCAL) and Survey**

AL

The NCAL team is interested in your feedback on two of their new assisted living resources and one that we've had for many years. Will you please take 10 minutes or less to answer a few questions in this survey that are related to three specific resources.

You can take the survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SNX68TK>

Please fill out the survey by January 8, 2024.

[Assisted Living Resources](#)

Education

NDHA-The Power of Connection - Free Volunteer Education

All Members

Please join us on **January 16 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. CT** as Leigh Ann S. Larson, Myers-Briggs® Type Indicator Master Practitioner and Vice President of Education and Marketing with the Wisconsin Hospital Association, introduces this powerful tool and the impact it can have on your life.

Intended audience: Hospital and long-term care auxiliaries, volunteers, and volunteer coordinators and professionals.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

[More Education on our Website](#)

Partners

Share with Your Teams-

Join Professional Associations

All Members

Joining a professional association in your field can offer a wide range of benefits, contributing to both personal and career development.

National Association Directors of Nursing Administrators (NADONA)

Alena Goergen, agoergen@good-sam.com

<https://nadona.org/signup/>

Long Term Care Social Workers of ND (LTCSWND)

Kelly Gustavson, kgustavson@stanleyhealth.org

American College of Health Care Administrators/ND Rough Rider Chapter

Reier Thompson, Reier.Thompson@mslcc.com

North Dakota Environmental Services Association (NDESA)

Curtis Huus, chuus@hattonprairievillage.com
<http://www.ndesa.org/become-an-associate-member/>

North Dakota Chaplain Association (NDCA)

Rev. Lori Lundblad, lori@oscarandrosie.net

Association of Nutritional & Foodservice Professionals of North Dakota (NDANFP)

Corinna DesRoches, corinnadesroches@gmail.com

<https://www.anfponline.org/events-community/chapters/chapter-pages/north-dakota/links-resources>

Activity Professionals of North Dakota (APND)

Nannette Hoeger, nhoeger@valleyseniorliving.org

<https://www.ndactivitypros.org/membership>

Medicare Advantage Plans - BCBS shares resources

NF

As they expect to see higher membership in 2024, Nicole Pesta wanted to pass along some NextBlue resources for all SNFs in the state if you can pass along.

NextBlue Provider Website: <https://www.nextbluend.com/providers>

Resources (Including Prior Authorization): <https://www.nextbluend.com/provider-resources>

Provider Call Center 1-844-753-8039

Questions? Nicole.pestab@bcbsnd.com 701-282-1131

Career Opportunities

[North Dakota Long Term Care Association | Career Opportunities \(ndltca.org\)](https://ndltca.org)

If you would like to post a job opening for your facility, please contact Casidie Fladeland at 701-354-9775 or email casidie@ndltca.org

Job Service Hosting a Virtual Job Fair-January 18th

All Members

[Job Service North Dakota Virtual Job Fair 2024 | Job Service North Dakota \(jobsnd.com\)](https://jobsnd.com)



Contact us at 701-222-0660 or email Nikki at nikki@ndltca.org or Peggy at peggy@ndltca.org.

