



NDLTCA Newsletter
February 6, 2024



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NDLTCA Updates

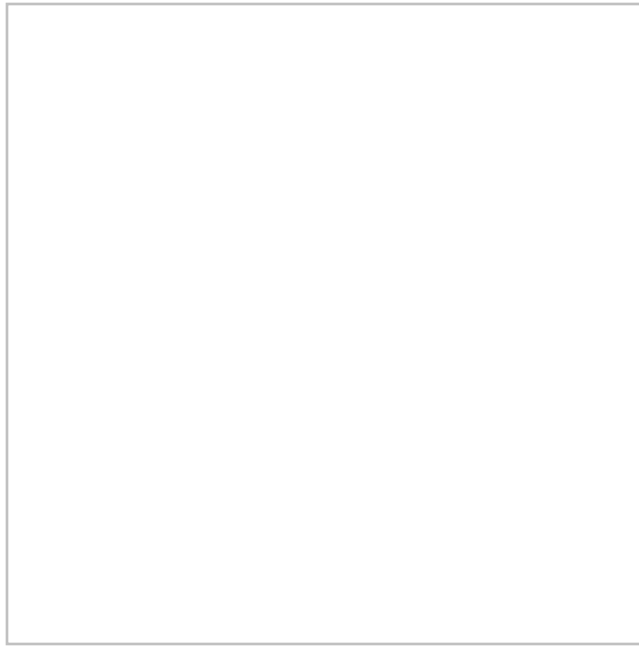
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Upcoming Regional Meetings - Save the Date

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Region I	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, March 4th in Minot
Region II	10:00 am – Noon, Feb. 28th in Grand Forks
Region III	10:00 am – Noon MST, March 5th in Dickinson
Region IV	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Feb. 20th in Bismarck
Region V	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Feb. 21st in Jamestown
Region VI	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Feb. 28th in Fargo

Education



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Our 47th Annual Convention and Expo is scheduled for May 7-10, 2024. This year's theme is "Quality: It's a Whole New Ballgame". This year's host hotel is the Radisson Hotel. Plans are underway to hold the Tuesday meetings, PAC Events & Registration and Thursday's Theme Hospitality and Dance at the Radisson. The room block is now open for booking. To see the tentative schedule and hotel information, visit the Convention website by clicking [here](#).

2024 ND Directors of Nursing Conference

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The North Dakota Chapter of the National Association of Directors of Nursing Administration/LTC (NADONA) is very excited to invite you to attend the 27th Annual Conference which will be held **March 27th and 28th, 2024 at the Hilton Garden Inn, in Fargo, ND**. The conference this year will provide all attendees with information on topics vital to the success of LTC facilities in this ever-changing environment. The conference covers a variety of topics that will help improve the quality of life for both the residents in long term care and the individuals who provide the care.

[Register here](#) or reach out to Alena Goergen with any questions agoergen@good-sam.com

[More Education on our Website](#)

Advocacy

Interim Health Care Committee and Contract Nursing

As mentioned before, the members' Resident Issues Committee came together to discuss the contract nursing study within the interim Health Care Committee. The Resident Issues Committee felt it would be beneficial to consider licensing and putting minimum standards on contract agencies. We reviewed and discussed a 2015 bill that had been introduced. This was presented to the [interim Health Care Committee](#) by Nikki on January 30th and DTN Staffing provided a presentation that followed. The interim committee stated that they would like us to continue working on this, expand our committee to other stakeholders, and bring back a report. If you are interested in contributing to the conversation, please reach out to Nikki at nikki@ndltca.org.

[Nikki's written testimony and handouts](#)

[PAC Membership](#)

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Think you joined the 2024 PAC but, you're not sure? You can check a recent list here in the members only area of our website. [NDLTCA-PAC-2024-MEMBERSHIP-as-of-January-25-1.xlsx \(live.com\)](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Love You to Stay

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North Dakota Health and Human Services (HHS) is incentivizing new health care graduates and established health professionals to choose North Dakota as their career location through the department's latest health care recruitment initiative, Love You to Stay.

Love You to Stay aims to address health care needs in underserved and rural areas by providing avenues of support with partnering agencies that connect health care professionals to promising career opportunities in North Dakota.

[Click here for more information.](#)

AHCA/NCAL Updates

What to Know About New Medicare Advantage Rules

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As of January 1, 2024, Medicare Advantage (MA) plans are subject to new regulations governing prior authorizations and utilization management strategies.

AHCA/NCAL, in partnership with Hooper, Lundy & Bookman, has developed a [checklist](#) to assist Association member providers in addressing MA denials to ensure that plans are in compliance with the new requirements.

[Click here for more information.](#)

WelcomeCorps at Work: Welcoming refugee talent

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Welcome Corps at Work, is a program that matches employers in this country with skilled refugees in need of resettlement and enables refugees and their immediate families to relocate permanently to the United States. This program seeks to provide a sustainable, scalable solution to workforce and skills shortages among U.S. employers at absolutely no cost to the employers. This is a U.S. State Department program and the International Rescue Committee (IRC) and Talent Beyond Boundaries (TBB) are working closely with the Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration on each component. Currently, they are engaged with over 2,500 individuals seeking work as part of the program.

This webinar will be an opportunity for businesses to learn about the details of this program, understand the types of positions, wages and benefits that make an employer a good fit, and engage on next steps.

Welcome Corps at Work Informational Webinar for Employers

February 22nd, 2024

1 pm Central Time

Location: Zoom

To attend this Webinar, please [register here](#). Webinar Zoom details will be shared with you upon registration.

Quality

2024 Quality Award Applications

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The 2024 Quality Award application deadline passed, and AHCA/NCAL received 1,418 applications. This is a 65% increase from the applications received in 2023!

North Dakota has submitted 37 applications for Bronze and 5 for Silver, totaling 42 applications. We extend our heartfelt appreciation for your efforts this past year in participating in this program. We are thrilled to see many of you joining this journey for the first time.

Career Opportunities

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Post a Job on Our Website

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

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

Thank you to our Bronze Sponsor, Hospice of the Red River Valley!

