



NDLTCA Newsletter

July 30, 2024

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NDLTCA Updates

Summer Administrator's Conference 2024

All Members

Thank you for joining us this past weekend at the Summer Administrators

Conference! We hope you had a wonderful time connecting and interacting with one another.

Silver Quality Awards Workshop

When: September 10-11, 2024 8:30am-4:30pm

Where: NDLTCA Conference Room ([1900 N 11th St. Bismarck](#))

****This will be offered as a hybrid workshop****

Registration: [Click Here](#)

Session 1: Abuse and Neglect Policies and Training Compliance

Course Description:

This session will review the key components to include in the facility Abuse and Neglect Policy, and the critical elements and frequency for training compliance.

Projected Learning Outcomes/Course Objectives: At the conclusion of each session, the learner will:

1. Review the regulatory required components for the facility Abuse and Neglect policy.
2. Discuss the critical elements and frequency for Abuse training compliance.
3. Identify tips and strategies for successful Abuse training implementation.

For more information and how to register: [Click here](#)

Regulatory

Meeting with Tim Wiedrich, Section Chief of Health Response and Licensure at DHHS

NF

Nikki and the NDLTCA Board of Directors met with Tim Wiedrich on July 15th during Nikki's monthly meeting with Tim. We discussed our significant concern with the length of time it takes for a CNA investigation. We know you've all had incidents where an individual CNA may have been responsible for an injury, you receive G level deficiency and that CNA goes on to work down the street, sometimes the same day. Tim had reviewed their processes in preparation for the meeting and stated that they were able to find possible efficiencies in the process. We shared Colorado's system for reports and will continue to follow up.

We also discussed our concerns with the recent increase in Immediate Jeopardies, specifically the failure to report and investigate sexual abuse. We urged the Department to consider partnering with us to offer sexual abuse training as it relates to people living with cognitive impairment. Tim agrees and we are working on coordinating session(s) for the survey team and our members. Stay tuned!

NCAL Update

IPCO Training for Assisted Living Communities

AL

AHCA/NCAL's Infection Preventionist Specialized Training (IPCO) for Assisted Living, is a specialized course of study for healthcare professionals who desire to serve as Infection Preventionists (IPs) in assisted living communities.

The course is grounded in epidemiology and CDC evidence-based recommendations that includes lectures, case studies, and interactive components taught by national experts. Individuals will be specially trained to effectively implement and manage an assisted living infection prevention and control program.

Participants who successfully complete this course should be better able to:

- Demonstrate how to effectively manage an Infection Prevention and Control Program in an assisted living setting.
- Convey to staff effective strategies to prevent infections.
- Implement practices and procedures to mitigate infections.
- Evaluate practices and policies related to infection prevention.

For more information and how to enroll: [Click here](#)

Media

Pressures could lead to more closures at ND nursing homes

All Members

Nikki was interviewed by Tom Tucker on July 25 by WDAY radio 93.1FM/AM 970 regarding the article in InForum regarding the federal mandate requiring 24/7 registered nurse (RN) coverage in North Dakota's nursing homes.

The story was also picked up by the:

The Bismarck Tribune

Grand Forks Herald

Devil's Lake Daily Journal

DSU has a plan moving forward to save nursing program

All Members

Dickinson State University (DSU) has appointed two administrators from Mayville State University to oversee plans for getting their nursing program operational and ready for the fall semester when students return to class.

Read more...

Workforce

ND Long Term Career Association Developing Your Future Workforce

All Members

Wayde Sick, State Director & Executive Officer of the ND Department of Career and Technical Education and Melana Howe, with Lake Region State College joined us at the Summer Administrator Conference to talk about work-based learning, apprenticeships, and Golden Path Solutions.

To learn more about work-based learning, [click here](#).

To find a work-based learning coordinator in your area, [see this list](#).

Learn how to connect with schools and students, [click here](#).

See below for the difference between internships and apprenticeships. To learn more about nursing apprenticeships, [click here](#).

Post a Job on Our Website

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North Dakota Long Term Care Association | Career Opportunities (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

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