

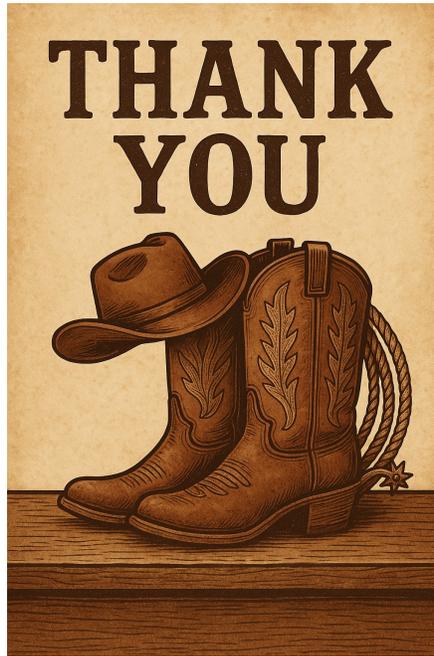


NDLTCA Newsletter

May 13, 2025

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NDLTCA Updates



To those who participated last week, thank you!

All Members

Thank you so much for attending last week's Convention. We hope you had a valuable experience connecting with peers, learning from our sessions, and enjoying some well-deserved fun.

As a quick follow-up, here are a few important post-convention notes and reminders:

- **Certificate of Attendance:**

You can now download your Certificate of Attendance through our [online portal](#). Simply select the certificate type, enter your last name and registration ID. If you're unsure of your ID, use the link at the bottom of the login page to retrieve it.

- **Session Evaluations:**

If you haven't yet completed evaluations for the sessions you attended, we'd greatly appreciate your feedback. These evaluations help us improve and provide valuable insights to our speakers. Click [here](#) to complete session evaluations.

- **Overall Convention Survey:**

Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts on the overall convention experience. Your feedback is essential to helping us plan future events. Complete the overall survey [here](#).

- **Session Handouts:**

Handouts will be available until **July 1** at ndltca.org/handouts. Use the password: **handouts2025** to access them.

 **Save the Date!**

Mark your calendar for our **49th Annual Convention and Expo**, scheduled for **May 5–8, 2026!**

Thank you again for being part of our event—we look forward to seeing you next year!

SAVE THE DATE

All Members

Mark your calendar for our **Summer Administrator's Conference**, July 22-25, 2025, Walker, MN

Regulatory

Trump Administration Releases FY 2026 Proposed Budget Request

All Members

President Trump's proposed budget contains legislative proposals Congress may or may not take up and administrative proposals which government agencies may implement without legislation using their administrative authority. [Read more.](#)

CMS Issues SNF Consolidated Billing Codes Quarterly Update

NF

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued an updated list of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System used for SNF consolidated billing claim edits. [Read more.](#)

HUD 232 Update

All Members

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that it is restoring longstanding practice regarding 232/223(f) repairs. AHCA/NCAL, working with other associations, successfully advocated for this change. [Read more.](#)

BCBS Update

High-Importance: Recredentialing In-Network Provider Participation Notice

All Members

Attention: Provider Enrollment and Credentialing

The Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota (BCBSND) Credentialing and Data Management team is reviewing in-network provider credentialing accounts in need of recredentialing. This review will impact both practitioner and facility in-network providers. This will not impact all providers, only the providers who are past the three-year recredentialing mark.

Practitioners' notification timeline: Time-sensitive letter notifications were issued in March/ April 2025 to practitioners past the three-year recredentialing timeframe. Additional practitioners will receive a similar letter in late May and/or early June 2025.

Recredentialing updates are required for continued participation as an in-network practitioner with BCBSND. Our policy, in accordance with accreditation and regulatory agencies, mandates credentialing every three years.

Please respond to the notice within 45 business days of receipt. Credentialing is a requirement of our accreditation, regulatory agencies and network participation contract. Failure to respond within 45 days will be considered voluntary termination from participation with BCBSND. Upon termination, BCBSND will notify your patients that you are no longer a participating practitioner.

Questions? prov.net@bcbsnd.com.

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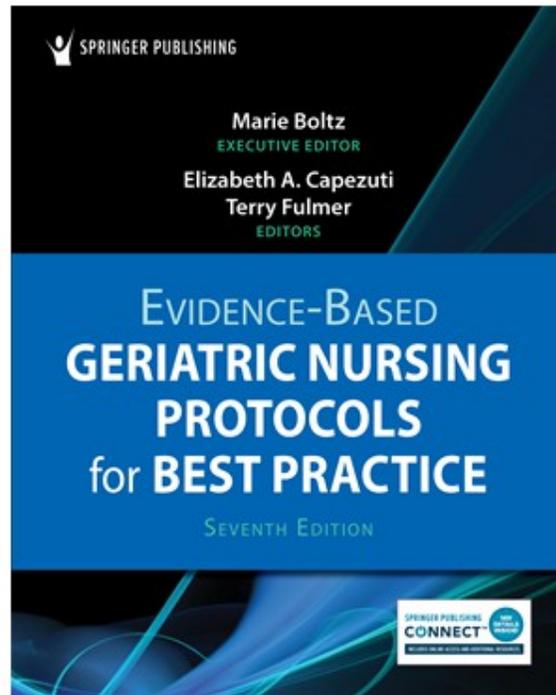
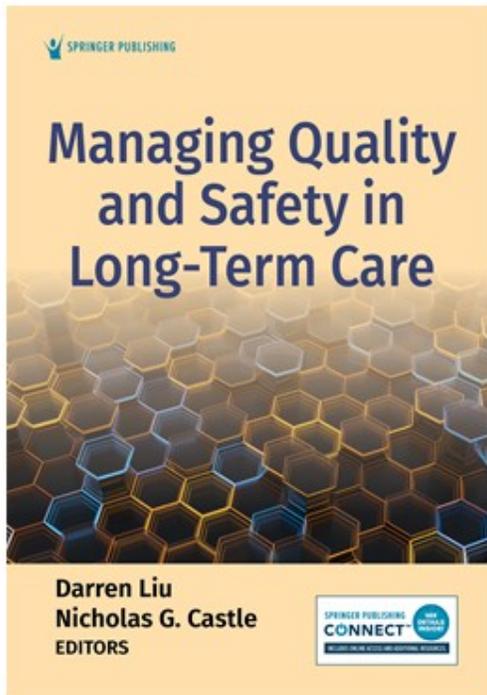
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AHCA Resources

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Providers Across the Country Celebrate National Skilled Nursing Care Week

NF

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today marks the beginning of National Skilled Nursing Care Week® (NSNCW), which will continue through Saturday, May 17. Using storytelling to bridge connections across generations, this year's theme, *Tapestry of Life*, highlights the meaningful stories that make up each person's journey in skilled nursing care. From residents and families

to caregivers and staff, everyone adds a unique thread that is woven into this vibrant tapestry. This theme celebrates the connections, resilience and strength that unite us all.

"National Skilled Nursing Care Week is a time to recognize the individuals who are essential to long term care—our dedicated staff and caregivers," **said Clif Porter, President and CEO of the American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL)**. "This week honors the incredible commitment and impact of skilled nursing care staff, who work tirelessly every day to provide support, compassion, and respect to those in their care. I encourage everyone to participate in honoring these remarkable individuals who selflessly serve our residents."

Established by AHCA in 1967, NSNCW starts each year on Mother's Day and encourages skilled nursing care centers around the country to host a variety of events that shine a light on the individuals who reside, work, and volunteer in nursing centers. The week offers activities and events aimed at both entertainment and fostering community bonds, underscoring the essential role skilled nursing organizations play in supporting America's seniors and individuals with disabilities.

Community members are encouraged to join in the celebrations this week by reaching out to local skilled nursing care centers to express their appreciation. Find local skilled nursing care centers by visiting <https://ourseniorcare.org/care-finder/>.

Participants can also celebrate this NSNCW by sharing [stories](#) and messages of gratitude on [Facebook](#) and other social media platforms using the hashtag #NSNCW.

Visit www.nsnw.org for updated information and resources.

Assisted Living Update: Shaping National Guidelines Together

Quality in Assisted Living Collaborative

AL

NDLTCA has mobilized some of our ND assisted living leaders and provided feedback to NCAL around proposed national guidelines being developed by the Quality in Assisted Living Collaborative (QALC).

A draft list of subject areas is circulating (see below), and while these discussions are still in early stages, it's clear that the process will move forward. Rather than push back on something inevitable, NCAL has chosen to help shape it—so it reflects what you're *already* doing and works *for* us, not against us.

We've provided feedback to NCAL and emphasized focusing on areas where we already have strong practices in place. This proactive approach allows us to guide the conversation and ensure the final product supports providers without adding unnecessary burden.

We'll continue to represent your interests and keep you informed as things develop.

1. Ownership/General Provisions
2. Administration
3. Health Care Leadership/Health Care Oversight
4. Staffing/Workforce
5. Admission, Retention and Discharge of Residents
6. Infection Prevention and Control (Completed 11/2024)
7. Program Services
8. Medication Administration and Management
9. Dementia Care
10. Quality Improvement
11. Building Grounds/Fire Safety
12. Emergency Preparedness

Questions? Contact nikki@ndltca.org

Workforce

Independent Contractor Rule Update

All Members

The U.S. DOL's Wage and Hour Division recently issued new guidance addressing how its investigators should determine whether a worker is properly classified as an employee or an independent contractor. [Read More](#)

AHCA/NCAL Endorses National Nursing Workforce Center Act

All Members

THANK YOU SENATOR CRAMER FOR LEADING THE CHARGE!

U.S. Senators Rochester, Tillis, Merkley, and Cramer introduced the National Nursing Workforce Center Act (S. 1482) in the 119th Congress. This bipartisan legislation would help address nursing workforce shortages across the nation by supporting nursing workforce centers in almost every state. [Read more.](#)

NDLTCA Website: Keep Your Job Listings Up to Date!

All Members

Are your job postings current?

We're encouraging all members to take a few moments to review the job postings listed on our website:

👉 [NDLTCA Job Openings](#)

If any of the positions you've posted are no longer open or need to be updated, please let us know so we can make the necessary changes. Keeping this page current helps job seekers find the right opportunities—and ensures your organization stays visible to top talent.

Have a new job to share?

We'd love to include it! Simply send us the following:

- The job title and description
- Any important details (e.g., location, application deadline)
- A link to the job posting on your organization's website

You can send updates or new listings to Belma at belma@ndltca.org

Thank you for helping us keep our job board accurate and helpful for everyone!



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

