North Dakota Long Term Care ASSOCIATION

Serving the Full Continuum of Care

NDLTCA Membership Benefits

The North Dakota Long Term Care Association is committed to supporting providers across the full continuum of care. Through legislative and regulatory advocacy, education, timely information, and opportunities to connect with colleagues, we work to ensure our members have the resources, representation, and support they need to succeed.

Membership means having a voice in the decisions that affect your organization and a partner to help navigate the challenges facing long term care. The following highlights the many benefits and opportunities available through NDLTCA membership.

A Legislative Voice

NDLTCA staff actively advocate for members, staying abreast of legislative developments that impact long term care. We educate lawmakers, bringing provider concerns, viewpoints, and solutions to their attention. Members play a crucial role in our grassroots lobbying efforts, contributing to our reputation as a prominent and effective voice before the legislature.

Education Services

NDLTCA is a leading provider of long term care education in North Dakota. Our training programs offer more than 50 continuing education hours annually, ensuring that long term care staff stay current with state and federal regulations and continue to deliver high-quality care. Members benefit from access to reasonably priced workshops and conferences throughout the year, tailored to all disciplines within the long term care sector.



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Regulatory Voice

NDLTCA maintains regular engagement with regulatory and administrative agencies affecting long term care operations. We review and provide feedback on proposed regulations, ensuring that the provider perspective is represented and that regulatory outcomes better serve operations and resident care.

Informational Services

We provide essential information to help members stay competitive and effective in a dynamic environment. Members receive timely electronic updates on issues, trends, and events impacting long term care, including a weekly newsletter, fact sheets, templates, training opportunities, and legislative updates. Our website and electronic communications are key resources for keeping members and consumers well-informed.

Emergency Preparedness

The North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services partners with the NDLTCA to increase emergency preparedness activities for the long term care facilities. Grant funding from the Hospital Preparedness Program funds the part-time NDLTCA Director of Emergency Preparedness position to assist in preparing facilities for potential emergencies. The director of emergency planning is the liaison between the ND DHHS and the long term care facilities to share communication, assist with emergency operation plans, assist with emergency preparedness exercises and training, share regulations, provide training at the NDLTCA yearly conventions and conferences and visit your organization to help with any needs you may encounter. The Director of Emergency Planning is your resource locater.



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Special Studies

NDLTCA conducts studies on critical long term care issues. Our research has addressed topics such as recruitment and retention best practices, financial viability, and innovations in care delivery. Notable publications include "Challenging the Myths of Long Term Care in North Dakota," "Senior Care Voices," "The Pulse of North Dakota," "North Dakota Long Term Care Facts & Figures," and biennial legislative reports.

Statewide Database

In collaboration with Eide Bailly, we maintain a comprehensive statewide nursing facility and basic care financial database. This resource includes annual reports on financial health, staffing, and cost per day, as well as long term care staff salary surveys, enabling providers to assess financial performance and operational benchmarks.

Networking/Governance Opportunities

Members have numerous opportunities to network with peers and enhance their professional skills through NDLTCA events. Participation in committees, task forces, and focus groups allows members to help shape the future of the industry. Key networking events include membership meetings, the Annual Convention, regional meetings, the Fall Conference, and the Summer Administrator's Conference.

NDLTCA also offers online member discussion groups, providing opportunities for members in similar roles to connect directly, ask questions, share resources, and learn from one another's experiences throughout the year.



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Legal Services

NDLTCA monitors changes in regulatory and payment systems to safeguard member interests. When collective concerns arise, we take legal action to advocate for and protect member and resident rights under the guidance of our Board.

Nursing Scholarship

In honor of Allan B. Engen, NDLTCA awards annual nursing scholarships to staff from member organizations who demonstrate exceptional commitment and quality in care. Since 1990, we have awarded 199 scholarships.

Advertise Job Openings

Members can post job openings for free on our website, ensuring broad visibility within the long term care field.

Recognition Programs

NDLTCA recognizes outstanding performance among leaders in the long term care area. The Distinguished Service Award is given to individuals who have demonstrated a strong commitment to long term care. In the past 47 years, 39 awards have been given to “Champions of Long Term Care.”

NDLTCA also holds an annual Volunteer of the Year contest to recognize the efforts of volunteers in our member care settings. Awards are given across three categories: Adult, Young Adult, and Group Volunteers. NDLTCA’s Volunteer of the Year Awards recognizes outstanding volunteers in North Dakota and while honoring

these dedicated individuals, we offer gratitude to all the volunteers who provide their time and talents.

Our Caregiver Award Program, introduced in 2001, recognizes caregivers nominated by families and care recipients for exceptional care in our members' organizations, with awards presented at our Annual Convention. To date, 102 caregivers have been honored.

Political Action Committee

The NDLTC-PAC (North Dakota Long Term Care Political Action Committee) is an independent, voluntary political organization that supports candidates for public office who advocate for quality long term care in North Dakota. NDLTC-PAC shares a common interest in promoting policies that benefit long term care providers and residents.
NDLTC-PAC is funded solely through voluntary contributions from individuals who care about the future of long term care. By pooling resources, contributors can have a greater impact in supporting candidates who understand and support the needs of the profession.