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Direct Care Worker Leadership Council
Iowa CareGivers Association
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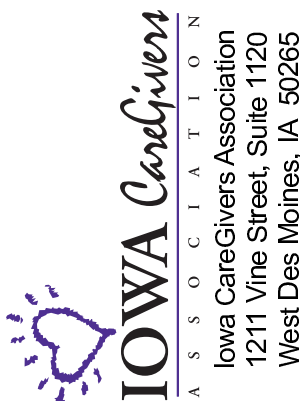


*Jerry Meyers,
2008 ICA Direct
Care Worker
Leadership Council*

***“Let’s take responsibility
for our profession.”***

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- *Peer to Peer Outreach*
- *Plan ICA’s Day on the Hill*
- *Participate in ICA programs*
- *Plan and help with the ICA conference*
- *Serve on discussion panels*
- *Give a speech on direct care issues*
- *Introduce dignitaries or speakers*
- *Host ICA exhibit booth at a conference*
- *Distribute ICA information*
- *Serve on committees related to direct care*
- *Contribute articles or thoughts to the ICA “Hub” newsletter*
- *Contact your legislators*
- *And much more...*



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***An opportunity to share your
leadership skills and make
an impact on the direct care
profession***

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Direct Care Worker Leadership Council

PURPOSE

Established in 2004, the Iowa CareGivers Association (ICA) Direct Care Worker Leadership Council provides valuable information to the ICA Board and staff that helps to ensure that ICA programs and services meet the needs of direct care workers.

The direct care workers who serve on the council are inspired to be leaders within the field of direct care. They share concerns, develop solutions, promote positive images of the direct care profession, and advocate for quality care for all Iowans.



WHO CAN APPLY

All direct care workers such as Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs), Home Care Aides (HCAs), Rehabilitation Aides, Medication Aides, Hospice Aides, Patient Care Technicians, Direct Care Worker Mentors, Nutrition Aides, or Personal Support Staff are eligible to apply.

Must complete the ICA Leadership Program, "A Call to Leadership" before applying to serve on the Council.

WHAT ARE THE EXPECTATIONS OF A COUNCIL MEMBER?

- Completion of the Iowa CareGivers Association (ICA) Leadership Program, "A Call to Leadership".
- An application must be completed by the direct care worker and approved by the ICA or the council.
- Attend at least 2 council meetings a year.
- Abide by the ICA Code of Ethics.
- Share skills, knowledge, and experience.
- Show a commitment to the direct care profession and to council activities.
- Maintain confidentiality.
- Represent the ICA and direct care workers to the general public, policy makers, and other members of the community.
- Attend other ICA related meetings/ conferences as needed
- Show a commitment to developing leadership skills and taking on new roles.
- Serve as an advisor to the ICA Board, Committees, and Staff.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you would like more information about the ICA Direct Care Worker Leadership Council or their activities, contact Pam Biklen, Program Director, at the Iowa CareGivers Association at 515-225-2952 or pam.biklen@iowacaregivers.org or check our website at www.iowacaregivers.org

Application

ICA Direct Care Worker Leadership Council

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Employer Phone: _____

Number of Years in Direct Care: _____

Job Title: _____

Please use another sheet of paper to answer these questions:

1. What are some of the most important issues you face as a direct care worker?
2. What does it mean to be a leader?
3. Describe how you have demonstrated leadership skills either in or out of the workplace.
4. Why do you want to be involved in the Direct Care Worker Leadership Council?