Voting in Long Term Care Communities During a Pandemic

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Supporting the Right to Vote

With resident/tenant permission, staff can assist with:

- Voter registration forms
- Absentee ballot requests
- Completion of ballots
- Sign box for “Certification of voter assistance”
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- Staff can not answer:
  - Questions about the candidates
  - Questions about any political platforms

- Must keep votes confidential
Right to Vote

- Every Citizen age 18 or older
- Regardless of where they live
- Activated Health Care Power of Attorneys doesn’t remove the constitutional right to vote
- Can’t vote in place of another individual
Rights

- Removal of rights by the court

3. GUARDIAN OF THE PERSON

The individual is in need of a guardian of the person.

A. Rights to be removed in full. If removed, these rights may not be exercised by any person. The individual has the incapacity to exercise the right to

- (1) execute a will.
- (2) serve on a jury.
- (3) register to vote or to vote in an election.
 Resources

- BOALTC Press Release- Voting Rights in Long Term Care Communities during a Pandemic-longtermcare.wi.gov
- Board on Aging and Long Term Care
  - 800 815-0015
  - BOALTC@Wisconsin.gov