

# WHCA

Wisconsin Health Care Association

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# WiCAL

Wisconsin Center for Assisted Living

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# What is WHCA/WiCAL?

- ▶ Long-term care association established in 1951
- ▶ State affiliate of AHCA/NCAL
- ▶ WHCA/WiCAL represents assisted living providers across the care continuum:
  - ▶ RCACs
  - ▶ CBRFs
  - ▶ AFHs
- ▶ 136 Business Partners
- ▶ Advocacy. Education. Excellence.





# ADVOCACY

# Advocacy

- ▶ Two lobbyists on staff, two additional contract lobbyists
- ▶ Increase in Direct Care Workforce Funding
- ▶ Advocacy to legislature and DHS

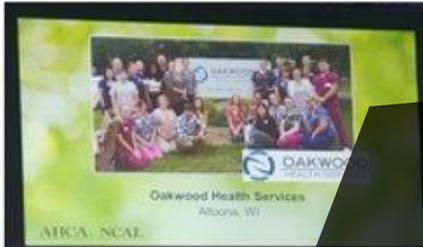




# Education

- ▶ WiCAL Learning Sessions
- ▶ PEAL Educational Opportunities
- ▶ Financial Affairs Webinar Series
- ▶ Bronze Quality Workshop
- ▶ WHCA/WiCAL Quality Symposium
- ▶ Fall Convention
- ▶ Spring Conference





EXCELLENCE

# Excellence

- ▶ Leadership Academy
- ▶ Workforce
  - ▶ Newly-hired Director of Workforce Development
  - ▶ Workforce Wednesdays
  - ▶ WHCA/WiCAL Career Center
  - ▶ Wisconsin.CareForTheAging.org
- ▶ Quality Advancement
  - ▶ National Quality Awards
    - ▶ Silver Award Examiner on Staff
    - ▶ Two Bronze AL Recipients in 2020
  - ▶ NCAL Quality Initiative
  - ▶ Long-Term Care Trend Tracker
  - ▶ PEAL/WCCEAL



## *A Larger Purpose*

*Your career begins when you find your life's passion.*



# COVID-19



ABOUT

EDUCATION & EVENTS

MEMBER RESOURCES

ADVOCACY

BUSINESS PARTNERS

MEDIA

CAREERS

## Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)



An outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus that was first detected in China has now been detected in all 50 states and US territories.

▼ STATEWIDE MANDATES

▼ VISITATION

▼ TESTING

## WHCA/WiCAL COVID-19 Updates

[June 16, 2020](#)

[June 12, 2020](#)

[June 11, 2020](#)

[June 10, 2020 DHS Releases](#)

[Guidance Documents on Admissions/Transfer/Discharge](#)

[June 9, 2020](#)

[June 9, 2020 WHCA/WiCAL Promotes PPE Partnership with NBA Legend](#)

[June 5, 2020](#)

[June 4, 2020](#)

[June 3, 2020](#)

[June 2, 2020](#)

[See all May 2020 COVID Updates](#)

[See all April 2020 COVID Updates](#)

[See all March 2020 COVID Updates](#)

## Highlights

EDUCATION AND EVENTS

# COVID-19

- STATEWIDE MANDATES
- CURRENT GUIDANCE
- VISITATION
- TESTING
- WORKFORCE AND STAFFING RESOURCES
- HANDWASHING
- CLEANING
- PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
- MEDICATION MANAGEMENT
- MONITOR HEALTH
- COMMUNICATION RESOURCES

[See all April 2020 COVID Updates](#)  
[See all March 2020 COVID Updates](#)

## Highlights

### EDUCATION AND EVENTS

- Aug 25** [WHCA Committee and Board Meetings](#)
- Sep 1** [Webinar: Addressing PDPM Medical Review Risks in the SNF Compliance and Ethics Work Plan](#)
- Sep 9** [WHCA Survey Session Webinar: Part 1](#)
- Sep 10** [WHCA Survey Session Webinar: Part 2](#)
- Sep 22** [WHCA Committee and Board Meetings](#)

[SEE ALL EVENTS](#)

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[Read our latest press statements >>](#)



*Commitment of Support During COVID-19*  
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### Latest COVID-19 Updates

- [Your Top-Line with NHSN COVID-19 Data Released](#)  
August 14, 2020
- [NHSN Updates Instructions and Adds Testing to Resident Impact and Facility Capacity](#)  
August 13, 2020

## Help Us Prevent the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Long Term Care Facilities

- [Providers](#)
- [Families and Friends](#)
- [Residents and Patients](#)

Please note that skilled nursing providers should consult the guidance put forth by CMS and the CDC, and assisted living communities can consult AHCA/NCAL's guidance. Providers should also check their local and state health departments for updates and potentially stricter guidance, but these are general, national prevention and containment tips:



**Infection Control:** Maintain infection control policies and procedures, updated where needed and increase transmission-based precautions.



**Staff:** Remind about hand hygiene and proper use of PPE. Tell them to stay home if they're sick. Screen all personnel coming into the building.



**Limit Interactions:** Restrict all non-essential visitors and group activities. Implement social distancing within the facility.



**PPE:** Preserve your current supply if you're running low. Ask for help from local and state officials and document requests.







# Overview



- No extra cost to participants
- Quality Improvement processes
- Part of the WCCEAL Program
  - Improve Resident and Family Satisfaction
    - Establish standard of care
    - Identify areas of improvement
  - Strengthen Staff Commitment
  - Be a Desirable Partner
    - WCCEAL - national partner
  - Access to Resources
    - Clinical Resource Center / AMDA Clinical Practice Guidelines
    - Centers for Excellence In Assisted Living (CEAL)
    - AHCA/NCAL National Quality Awards



# Education



## Quality Improvement Tools

- Quality Committee Fundamentals
- Performance Improvement Processes
- Monitoring

## PEAL Information

- PEAL Tools
- PEAL Resources
- PEAL Webinar Archives
- Center for Excellence in Assisted Living Quality Tools

# PEAL Resources



## ^ PEAL RESOURCES

### Outbreak Prevention:

- [WI DPH/DQA Recommendations for the Prevention and Control of Viral Gastroenteritis Outbreaks in Wisconsin Long-Term Care Facilities](#)
- [CDC Influenza Toolkit for Long-Term Care Employers](#)
- [WI DHS Influenza Webpage \(tools, resources, weekly report of activity\)](#)

### Falls:

- [CDC Older Adult Falls Programs](#)
- [Medications That Impact Falls](#)
- [Algorithm for Falls Risk & Solutions](#)
- [AHRQ - Falls Management Program](#)
- [AHRQ - Falls Management Program Presentation Slides](#)
- [AHRQ - Falls Management Program Intervention Plan](#)
- [Exercise Guide for Older Adults](#)
- [The Hartford Institute Nursing Standard of Practice Protocol: Fall Prevention](#)
- [Oregon PSO Falls Investigation Guide](#)
- [NCAL - Resources on Managing Falls](#)
- [AHCA/NCAL Education page - type "falls" into search bar](#)

### Root Cause Analysis:

- [Oregon Patient Safety Commission Root Cause Analysis Toolkit](#)
- [When to Use RCA](#)

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