

March 1, 2024

LeadingAge Wyoming Spring Meeting May 7-8, 2024 Holiday Inn Cody, Wyoming

LeadingAge Wyoming will be holding our annual Spring Meeting on May 7-8, 2024 at the Holiday Inn, Cody, Wyoming. Jodi Eyigor is the Director of Nursing Home Quality Public Policy Public Policy for LeadingAge national and will be a guest speaker at this year's meeting. As the Director, Nursing Home Quality & Policy Jodi is responsible for the analysis of health policy and regulatory changes related to long term care providers and in particular nursing homes. She develops and advocates LeadingAge's position on those issues. Jodi is an integral member of LeadingAge's Public Policy and Health Services team. More information on the meeting agendas will be sent in the next few weeks.

Jodi Eyigor



A block of rooms has been requested at the Holiday Inn in Cody, Wyoming. There are 40 rooms available from Monday, May 6 through the night of Friday, May 5, 2024. This block of rooms will remain in the computer system until thirty (30) days prior to first night arrival (April 6, 202 4) or until such time as the full block of 40 rooms have been sold to attendees, whichever comes first. Rooms released for sale to the general public on April 6, 2024 will continue to be available to attendees, however, they will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Rate will be honored but availability will not be guaranteed by the hotel after the date of April 6, 2024.

To make reservations, please, contact the hotel directly at 1-307-587-5555 to make sleeping room reservations. Guests will be required to provide date of arrival/ departure, number of guests in party, room type preference, credit card for guarantee/confirmation, telephone number and address. A credit card will be required upon check-in. Payment is due upon departure by individual guests.

ATTENDEES SHOULD REQUEST THE SPECIAL RATE FOR THE "ZAM – WHA Spring Meeting" GROUP.

Click here to register for the spring meeting



Wyoming Long Term Care Ombudsman

What is a Long-Term Care Ombudsman?

The primary duty of an ombudsman is to protect the rights of individuals by investigating and resolving problems and grievances, provide information, and work with institutions, organizations and agencies to increase their responsiveness to the people they serve. An ombudsman acts on behalf of persons who need help advocating for themselves.

Residents of long-term care facilities sometimes have little or no contact with the larger community and may feel a loss of control, dignity, and self-worth. The Long-Term Care Ombudsman serves as an advocate and helps resolve problems and concerns. The goal of the Wyoming Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is to improve the quality of life for long-term care residents and/or recipients.

What Does the Ombudsman Do?

- Receives, investigates and attempts to resolve problems or complaints affecting residents of long-term care facilities.
- Promotes resident, family and community involvement in long-term care.
- Promotes community education and awareness of the needs of long-term care recipients.Coordinates efforts with other agencies and organizations concerned with long-term care.
- Identifies issues and problem areas in long-term care and recommends needed changes.

What does this program cost?

The Ombudsman program is funded by state and federal dollars and is provided at no cost to the consumer.

More information on the Ombudsman Program can be found here



Take the LeadingAge Workforce Snap Poll

Each year LeadingAge gets a better understanding of the workforce challenges in provider organizations across the continuum with a brief member poll. Your responses help give us a snapshot of the workforce challenges and improvements in your organization. Please complete the **2024 Workforce Snap Poll** before March 4.





HOSPITAL & HEALTHCARE

It's Worth A Shot

Prepare for reporting antibiotic use and resistance data to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)

In 2024, hospitals participating in the CMS Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program must begin reporting antibiotic use and resistance data to NHSN. Other facility types, such as nursing homes, may be included in this requirement in the future.

The Alaska Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative (A2SC) is partnering with Mountain Pacific to host National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) training sessions, a series of educational sessions to prepare a wide range of facility types for reporting antibiotic use and resistance data to NHSN.

Learn more at: alaskahha.org/events.



The Alaska Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative is an active partnership of acute care and long-term care facilities dedicated to developing innovative strategies to ensure appropriate antibiotic use. Learn more at: alaskahha.org/antimicrobial-stewardshipcollaborative.

Sessions (online at 12:30PM)

- January 24 The Prerequisites to NHSN AS Reporting
- February 28 Hospital Reporting to the Antibiotic Usage Module in NHSN
- March 27 Hospital Reporting to the Antibiotic Resistance Module in NHSN
- April 24 Hospital Reporting FAQs and Open Q&A Discussion
- May 22 Using NHSN in your facility: "Now What Do I Do With it?"

Register to Attend

"It's worth a shot" is a weekly 30 minute education session hosted by Mountain Pacific on infection prevention and other matters. This link will register you for the entire series.

Save the Date

Spring Meeting Holiday Inn Cody, Wyoming

August 26, 2024 Golf Tournament Three Crowns Golf Club Casper, Wyoming

August 27-28, 2024 Annual Meeting Best Western Downtown Casper Casper, Wyoming



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