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HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



SAVE THE DATE! INHAA CONFERENCE

Wednesday, June 12 – Thursday, June 13, 2019

Par-A-Dice Hotel, East Peoria

BROCHURE COMING NEXT MONTH

INHAA FEBRUARY CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

The INHAA conference was held February 27-28 in East Peoria. Over 175 attendees gathered for the 1 ½ day conference to network and hear from several informative presenters. Thank you to the speakers and members for participating in this event. More educational sessions coming in June. Registration information will be sent out in April.

REMINDER: 2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Thank you to all members that have renewed to date. If you have not renewed please know that your 2018 INHAA membership expired 12/31/18 and you will no longer be receiving member services from INHAA beginning 3/1/19. Renewal for 2019 is only \$100. **Renew now and take advantage of the year-round benefits including receipt of the monthly newsletter; reduced registration fees to attend all conferences, and much more.** INHAA offers more than 40 high quality professional CE Hours for administrators and nurses each year at one-third to one-half the cost of other organizations. Remember, if the facility administrator is a member of the association, staff at the facility can attend *the* INHAA conferences at the member rate when the Administrator has registered and paid to attend that conference. Don't miss out. Sign up today. A 2019 membership renewal form is [linked here](#). For new members please fill out the membership brochure [linked here](#).

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

As you know, the Governor signed the minimum wage hike bill. This, coupled with the numerous other unfunded mandates we have encountered over the past several years, creates a formidable challenge. Strategies must be developed to ensure our continued viability. As these strategies, we will keep you informed, and may ask for your help in the future.

HFS PROVIDER NOTICE – DUE DATE FOR PAYMENT OF THE MONTHLY OCCUPIED BED PROVIDER ASSESSMENT

Source: HFS

The Monthly Occupied Bed Provider Assessment due date for long term care providers for the February 2019 assessment period/November 2018 reporting period, originally due February 15, 2019, and extended to March 15, 2019 will be due on March 15, 2019. [The notice is linked here.](#)

ADDITION TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS REQUIREMENTS

Source: CMS

A CMS memorandum dated February 1, 2019 added “emerging infectious diseases” to the current definition of all hazards in the Emergency Preparedness requirements and Appendix Z of the State Operations Manual (SOM) was updated to reflect the changes. [The memo is linked here.](#)

HFS PROVIDER NOTICE – REVISED FORM 2270

Source: HFS

HFS issued a provider notice 2/15/19 regarding the HFS Form 2270, Physician Certification Statement for Non-Emergency Transportation. As of April 1, 2019, providers must use the revised form in order to clarify a few items. [HFS 2270](#)

The completion of this form is required each time non-emergency transportation is ordered. Although February 1, 2019 was the effective date for required use of the PCS, the Department will allow providers a 60-day transition period to implement the form and will make available additional training on use of the form. The MCA and CTS forms will be accepted if needed until 60 days after February 1, 2019. As of April 1, 2019, providers must use the PCA. The full notice can be read [HERE](#).

OIG CRITICIZES STATES FOR APPROVING NURSING HOMES’ PLANS OF CORRECTION WITHOUT CHECKING THEM

Source: McKnight’s Weekly Roundup

The Office of the Inspector General says that state agencies aren’t doing enough to make sure that nursing homes are correcting deficiencies. [To view full article, click here.](#)

FEDS ANNOUNCE SLEW OF MOVES AIMED AT IMPROVING NURSING HOMES’ DIGITAL COMMUNICATION WITH HOSPITALS

Source: McKnight’s Weekly Roundup

The federal government is making a big push to improve information sharing between skilled nursing facilities and other providers, [announcing several moves on Monday](#). To view full article, [click here](#).

HFS PROVIDER NOTICE

Source: IHCA

HFS released a notice last week regarding the preadmission and conversion screenings process for potential SL program participants. The notice provides additional clarification and guidance to the Informational Notice dated 06/22/11 entitled [Preadmission and Conversion Screening](#).

The notice details preadmission screening requirements, conversion screening requirements, transitions from other settings into SLP, appeal rights and other relevant information. Not all processes have been updated or changed from the original 2011 notice, so be sure to review it in its entirety. The full notice can be seen [HERE](#).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! INHAA Events for 2019

June 12-13 Conference, Par-A-Dice Hotel, East Peoria – **BROCHURE COMING NEXT MONTH**

August 14-15 Conference, Hilton Doubletree Hotel, Bloomington

November 7-8 Convention & Expo, Crowne Plaza, Springfield

EMPLOYMENT ALLEY

RN/LPN

Looking to hire a Registered Nurse or a License Practical Nurse at Heritage Square, a Continuum of Care Facility. Long Term Care Nursing Experience is preferred. The nurse will be responsible for the quality of care rendered to the geriatric population which includes dispensing of medication, charting, treatments and supervision of the direct care givers. Please contact the DON at 815 288 2251 ext. 104 or stop by at 620 N. Ottawa Avenue in Dixon, Illinois 61021 to fill out an application. May send resume to don.heritagesquare@comcast.net

ASSISTANT NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR

Carlton at the Lake is seeking a strong, experienced healthcare professional to assist the Nursing Home Administrator in the overall management of a premier skilled nursing facility in Chicago, Illinois. The position requires sound business judgment, diplomacy, and positive community relations.

Requirements: Bachelor's Degree in health care administration, business administration, social services, or a medical specialty; Two + years' experience in a Skilled Nursing Facility; Comprehensive knowledge of Long Term Care Medicaid and Medicare regulations and standards helpful; Cultural sensitivity and the ability to communicate effectively with a diverse resident population; The ability to communicate effectively with residents, families, doctors, and corporate leadership, utilizing diplomacy and discretion. Contact: Jonathan Goldstein, 224-935-2392; jgoldstein@legacyhc.com

ADMINISTRATOR Warren Barr Lincoln Park (2732 N. Hampden Court, Chicago, IL 60614) is looking for a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator! Located in the heart of Chicago's historic Lincoln Park neighborhood, and just minutes away from many of Chicago's most prominent hospitals and physicians, Warren Barr Lincoln Park has been continually recognized for both its sophistication and the unsurpassed quality of its post-hospital care. Warren Barr is a wonderful boutique facility certified for 109 beds. Applicants can send a resume to jgoldsteibn@legacyhc.com for consideration.

INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR/CONSULTANT Experienced Interim Administrator/consultant. Mock Surveys, QAPI and Survey preparation with excellent outcomes. Training and coaching staff while monitoring daily operations of Post- Acute Services, CCRC, Big Buildings, as well as Budget and Strategic Planning. Please call Rue Anne Mills 630-935-2556 or text for an appointment.

Employment Alley is published monthly for INHAA members and business members. The cost for non-members is \$30/month; \$50/two months; \$70/three months. A business member listing is \$25/month; \$40/two months; \$55/three months. Send your ad (approximate 55-words) and payment to INHAA, PO Box 272, Rochester, IL 62563 or via email vwiltsie@incaa.org; fax 708-248-8078. For further information please call Vicki Wiltsie 708-800-6161.

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The advertisement is a rectangular graphic with a light gray background. On the left side, there is a vertical blue bar with a white, repeating pattern of the number '66'. Overlaid on this bar is the text 'WHAT'S THE VERDICT?' in a white, serif font. To the right of the blue bar, there is a gray rectangular area containing the text 'With NHRMA Mutual, you have a partner who can provide a strong defense when it comes to questionable claims.' Below this, the NHRMA Mutual logo is displayed, featuring the word 'NHRMA' in a red serif font with a red arch over it, and 'MUTUAL' in a smaller red serif font below. At the bottom of the graphic, the website 'www.NHRMA.com' and the phone number '877-298-3628' are listed in a blue sans-serif font.

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