

Why Join WNHSWA?

- Continuing education opportunities at reduced rates that meet requirements for the biennial Social Work licensure renewal in Wisconsin.
- Networking with professionals interested in and working in the long-term care Social Work field.
- Links to organizations such as the Ombudsman Program, WiCAL, NASW-WI, DQA, Meta Star & other resources correlated with nursing homes and long-term care (LTC).
- Full access to the interactive website offering a wide variety of helpful resources to improve practice and to participate in leading edge developments in nursing homes & LTC.
- Annual scholarships awarded to those pursuing a degree in Social Work & educational opportunities, with exposure to the experience of working with the elderly & other vulnerable people.
- Stay updated on legislative movements and changes, get involved as you wish!
- Develop leadership skills as a WNHSWA Board member, by participating in the opportunity to vote and work collaboratively towards the growth & success of the Association.

How WNHSWA Can Benefit Your Business...

WNHSWA is Proud to:

- Offer support to new & experienced Social Workers to reduce staff turnover & increase productivity.
- Provide educational opportunities to incorporate leading edge practices in to care provided at your facility.
- Schedule educational and professional development opportunities that reduce time out of the office.
- Extend cost-saving opportunities when staff groups attend conferences!

Member Satisfaction Survey...

What do you find most beneficial as a member of the Wisconsin Nursing Home Social Workers Association?

40% – Networking and support of peers in field

38% – Low-cost continuing education credits, presentations on topics relevant to current practice

18% – Other: inspiration and rejuvenation during work time out of the office, efforts of the Board members, location of events

4% – New members

“WNHSWA offers an easy way to get all of the required CEUs at a reasonable cost.”

Our Mission

WNHSWA will develop and preserve standards of practice for nursing home Social Workers as well as provide them quality educational opportunities in the areas of long-term care and professional/personal development.

Through legislative efforts, we will advocate to enrich the lives of our clients and enhance the standards of our profession.

Who Can Be a Member?

Membership is open to anyone employed or interested in employment in the provision of social services in long-term care in Wisconsin.

Conference attendance is open to non-members. See website for details. wnhswa.org.

How to Join? It's Easy!

Go to our website: wnhswa.org and click on “membership” or fill out a member registration form which is sent via mail to all nursing homes at the beginning of each year.

Yearly membership runs from March 1 through February 28.

WNHSWA Vision – WNHSWA will be the leader in giving our profession a voice and visibility in the health care industry within Wisconsin.

WNHNSWA Conferences

WNHNSWA schedules two annual conferences, held in the spring and fall, which offer many benefits to WNHNSWA members and any other interested Social Workers. Input from our members is the key to planning these educational opportunities! These conferences include:

- Accreditation – Offering approved continuing education hours, meeting the Wisconsin requirements for Social Work licensure renewal.
- Cost effectiveness – Members receive discounted rates for CEUS that are held at centralized locations throughout the state, based on members' input on location preference.
- Topics of Interest – Member surveys are always used when planning upcoming conferences to ensure topics pertinent to the work we do is covered!
- Rejuvenation – Social Workers often use the conferences as an opportunity to discuss concerns or issues they face in the workplace, which allows them to explore positive means for resolutions that increase productivity.
- Networking – Meet with other Social Workers who work in long-term care; enjoy sharing tips, resources and other information that may be helpful in every day practice.

Visit our website wnhnswa.org

Members have full access to information available on our website, plus links to resources and career development opportunities.

WNHNSWA Gives Back...

Members vote each year for the "Social Worker of the Year Award" to recognize outstanding efforts of peer Social Workers throughout the state.

An educational scholarship is awarded each fall to a Social Work student pursuing a career in long-term care. Award winners are invited to attend the conference free of charge, welcoming them to learn about and experience the role of a Social Worker in the professional field.

As an annual contributor to the Alzheimer's Association, WNHNSWA also offers a scholarship of free registration to attend the annual Alzheimer's Association Wisconsin Spring Conference.



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