



Residents News-Mail

Legislative Goals, Membership Drive, LeadingAge Meetings

February 14, 2024

Hello WACCRA Members!

Please read the short overviews of the 3 topics (below), AND we strongly encourage you to click on the link in each section for the full story containing the important details you need to stay informed.

WACCRA PRESENTS LEGISLATIVE GOALS TO STATE REGULATORS

The regulatory committee charged by the 2023 Legislature to develop recommendations for CCRC regulation is holding stakeholder meetings this month. WACCRA's meeting was held February 5, 2024, and included representatives from three agencies:

- Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS),
- Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC), and
- Attorney General's Office (AGO)

The discussion focused on the implementation of the 2022 OIC report. WACCRA recommended some specific consumer protections for CCRC residents. We also shared data from our recent member legislative priorities survey.

The presentation was well received with accolades that the presentation was well organized, informative, and thorough. We felt good about our dialogue with the agency representatives over the course of the two- and half-hour meeting.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information on the recommendations we shared.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER

We are half-way through our February Membership Drive. If you haven't joined or renewed your WACCRA membership – now is the time! Your membership helps support the work being done to advocate for CCRC residents in Washington State.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more in our January 23rd News-Mail.

OR

Contact your WACCRA Membership Liaison:

Emerald Heights – Donna Kristaponis

Hearthstone – Bob Hunter

Horizon House – Barbara Knight

Mirabella – Mandy Wertz

Parkshore – Jerry Tuttle

Skyline – Tom Sakata

Timber Ridge – Celie Brown

Other CCRCs – [Susan Dillon](#), Membership Chair

Remember to ask your neighbor, a friend at another CCRC or a family member to join as well. More voices help us be heard in Olympia!

LeadingAge WA ON THE ROAD TO MEET CCRC RESIDENTS

Senior leadership from LeadingAge WA is making the rounds of Washington CCRCs this year, in advance of next year's potential CCRC legislation. They have said that they hope to get to all the CCRCs registered with the State. They met with residents at the Riverview Community in Spokane before the holidays and sat down with approximately 100 residents at Emerald Heights on February 5th.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more about the meeting at Emerald Heights.

Let us know if you have a meeting scheduled at your CCRC – we would love to hear what you learn.

Thank you for your continued support of WACCRA!

Kim Hickman, News-Mail Editor

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