

Thank You for Being a Member of LeadingAge Illinois

There's never been a more important time to be a part of LeadingAge Illinois. In 2023, we continued to lead members and our sector into the future. Here are just some of the ways we worked to advance and support our members in the past year...



STATEWIDE ADVOCACY TO ADVANCE YOUR INTERESTS

LeadingAge Illinois policy experts work to remove barriers and improve funding for all senior service provider types.

- Passed legislation to create a **CONTINUING CARE AT HOME PROGRAM**.
- Removed language from the **ASSISTED LIVING AND SHARED HOUSING ACT** prohibiting a person from being accepted for residency to an assisted living establishment if the person requires sliding scale insulin administration.
- Secured a **RATE INCREASE** for Adult Day Services.
- Passed legislation to require the Governor to establish an **ASSISTED LIVING AND SHARED HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD** to include provider representatives, advocates, and other stakeholders to discuss assisted living issues and rules.
- Defeated proposed revisions to the **ASSISTED LIVING AND SHARED HOUSING ESTABLISHMENT CODE** that would have tripled licensure fees and ended providers' opportunity for statements of dispute.
- Defeated legislation that would change **ENTRANCE FEE CONTRACTS** that would put an arbitrary timeline on entrance fee refunds for life plan communities.
- Developed the **NEW LEGISLATIVE VISIT TOOLKIT** which provides members with the tools and resources needed to set up and conduct a successful site visit with your elected representatives.

CAREER ADVANCING EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Over a thousand people gathered for our Annual Meeting & Expo and we delivered programs, webinars, continuing education hours, and more.

- Connected over **1,000 ATTENDEES AT THE ANNUAL MEETING & EXPO** focusing on strategies for thriving in the rapidly changing senior living and services environment.
- Delivered **25 PROGRAMS** in person and/or online, 11 of which were offered at **no charge** to members.
- Offered a total of **90 CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS** to date with more to come.
- Hosted a record-breaking **ASSISTED LIVING BOOTCAMP** in two locations with over 160 attendees.
- Hosted a **LEGAL WEBINAR SERIES** with 6 different topics and presenters representing three different law firms.



SOLUTIONS TO HELP YOUR ORGANIZATION STAY STRONG

In addition to a new member portal and workforce solutions toolkit, members benefited from streamlined processes, two new sub-committees, professional development innovations, and more.

- Launched a **NEW MEMBER DATABASE**, MC Trade, allowing members to access and update their member records.
- Developed the **WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS TOOLKIT** loaded with resources and tools to help members with hiring, onboarding, retention needs and more!
- Created an **ONLINE ARCHIVE OF EMERGING LEADERS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS** aimed at providing self-guided skills development opportunities.
- Produced **ELECTRONIC RENEWAL COMMUNICATIONS** to make member renewal hassle free.
- Offered 800+ **JOB LISTINGS** on the LeadingAge Illinois Job Board.

VALUE FIRST

LeadingAge Illinois's group purchasing program, Value First, continues to innovate to save members money.

- Saved members roughly **\$355,000 ON NEW FOOD ACCOUNTS**, approximately \$40,000 on medical, and \$45,000 with other vendor partners.
- Partnered with **VALUE FIRST VENDORS** to share insights on helping members with saving solutions through presentations at annual meeting, workshops, webinars, and individual site visits.
- Delivered savings to our Value First Illinois members' sites providing an average of **12% SAVINGS** across all categories.



As we look forward, you, our members, continue to be our top priority.

We'll continue to advance educational, advocacy,
and professional development efforts aimed at
strengthening the senior living space and your organization's impact.

Thanks for being a part of the LeadingAge Illinois member community!

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