

MEMBER BENEFITS

AT A GLANCE



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“ It is with great pleasure that we extend a warm welcome to all new and existing members of AHCA/NCAL. Our mission is to **improve lives by delivering solutions for quality care**, and this brochure is a testament to that commitment. We are dedicated to providing the highest quality services, resources, and support to meet your needs, as we continue to fight and advocate for our members in Washington. Your success is our success, and we are honored to be by your side in serving our nation’s seniors and individuals with disabilities.”

2023 in Review

- Successfully improved the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System fiscal year (FY) 2024 proposed rule released by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and received a 4 percent Medicare Part A rate increase.
- Supported state affiliates in advocating for adequate Medicaid reimbursement, obtaining billions of dollars in additional funding for providers serving Medicaid beneficiaries.
- Successfully facilitated substantial increases in Veterans care payment rates.
- Rallied members to send more than 18,000 unique comments to CMS during the 60-day formal comment period for the proposed minimum staffing rule. The pre-rule comment period generated 13,500 comments.
- Hosted more than 150 facility and community tours with Members of Congress, including those on key committees as well as House and Senate Leadership.
- Released the “State of the Nursing Home Sector” and the “Access to Care Report” reports, data-backed snapshots of the industry’s most critical issues to advocate for supportive solutions.
- Successfully achieved enforcement relief on infection control citations implemented during the pandemic.
- Changed COVID-related guidance to bring relief to the sector and continued to share important updates, prevention tips, and resources.
- Positioned members for success in changing the health care landscape by hosting a Population Health Management (PHM) track at Delivering Solutions 2023 and PHM topics at AHCA|NCAL meetings.
- Convened roundtable with National Association of ACOs to shape current and future policies supporting more effective SNF participation with ACOs.
- Launched a national workforce campaign “Careers in Caring” to equip members with hiring resources to successfully recruit new caregivers.
- Recognized nearly 500 long term care organizations for quality improvement through the National Quality Award Program.
- Developed materials Assisted Living providers can use to explore the feasibility of expanding affordable assisted living options.
- Created the Assisted Living Regulatory Resource Center, which includes tools for state survey data and a state bill tracker.
- Developed **National Skilled Nursing Care Week** and **National Assisted Living Week** planning resources for providers across the nation to raise awareness of the essential role of long term care.
- Released the #GetVaccinated Toolkit with resources and updates for the 2023 respiratory season to help providers to facilitate vaccinations for residents and staff.
- Launched the **National Infection Prevention Forum**.

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