

Mail your completed application
and your written response to:

Direct Care Professional Council

Iowa CareGivers
1231 8th Street, Suite 236
West Des Moines, IA 50265



Leslie Hayenga Adams, Council Member, has been recognized for her leadership, serves as a Prepare to Care CORE instructor, and is pictured here reviewing goals at the IC annual meeting with Pam Biklen, IC Program Director.

Leadership Opportunities

- Share information about Iowa CareGivers with co-workers, employers, friends, or your community
- Participate in IC programs and events
- Plan and help with the IC conference
- Serve on discussion panels
- Speak and participate at public forums
- Educate legislators and others about direct care
- Give a presentation on direct care issues
- Introduce dignitaries or speakers
- Host IC exhibit booth at a conference
- Serve on committees related to direct care
- Contribute articles, poems, or letters to the IC "Hub" newsletter
- And much more...



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**Direct Care
Professional
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An opportunity
to get involved
and make a
difference in
the direct care
profession

IC Direct Care Professional Council

Purpose

Established in 2004, the Iowa CareGivers (IC) Direct Care Professional Council provides valuable information to the IC Board and staff that helps to ensure that IC programs and services meet the needs of direct care professionals.



Tracy Hoveland, Anthony Wells, Renee Bernier, and Vicky

Those who serve on the council take great pride in their profession. They share concerns, develop solutions, promote positive images of the direct care profession, and advocate for quality care/ services for all Iowans.

Who Can Apply

All direct care professionals such as Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs), Home Care Aides (HCAs), Rehabilitation Aides, Medication Aides, Hospice Aides, Patient Care Technicians, Direct Care Professional Mentors, Nutrition Aides, or Direct Support Professionals are eligible to apply.

Need More Information?

If you would like more information about the IC Direct Care Professional Council or their activities, contact Pam Biklen, Program Director, at the Iowa CareGivers at 515-729-9729 or pam.biklen@iowacaregivers.org or check our website at www.iowacaregivers.org

What Are The Expectations Of A Council Member?

- An application must be completed by the direct care professional, reviewed by the current council, and approved by the IC.
- Attend at least 2 council meetings a year.
- Abide by the IC Code of Ethics.
- Share skills, knowledge, and experience.
- Show a commitment to the direct care profession and to council activities.
- Maintain confidentiality.
- Represent the IC and direct care professionals to the general public, elected officials, and other members of the community.
- Attend or assist with other IC related meetings/ conferences as needed.
- Show a commitment to developing leadership skills and taking on new roles.
- Serve as an advisor to the IC Board, Committees, and Staff.
- Have a passion for the direct care profession.



Council Members serve as ambassadors at the IC Annual Conference.

Application

IC Direct Care Professional Council

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Employer Phone: _____

Number of Years in Direct Care: _____

Job Title: _____

Please use another sheet of paper to answer these questions:

1. What are some of the most important issues you face as a direct care professional?
2. What does it mean to be a leader?
3. Describe how you have demonstrated leadership skills either in or out of the workplace.
4. Why do you want to be involved in the Direct Care Professional Leadership Council?