

Nursing Home Web Resource Guide

This web resource is designed with healthcare providers in mind in order to assist them in every day quality improvement within their facilities. It is easy to navigate and each link provides a brief description of what the website/organization/agency has to offer.

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We encourage you to check the link to the KFMC website often for updates and please let us know if there is anything we can add to assist you better.

Healthcare Advocacy

Kansas Advocates for Better Care (KABC)

www.kabc.org

Founded in 1975 as Kansans for Improvement of Nursing Homes, the mission continues to be “promoting quality long-term care for residents of licensed adult care homes.” KABC is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, funded by members, contributors and grants for special purposes.

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Kansas Foundation for Medical Care (KFMC)

www.kfmc.org

A not-for-profit Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) for Kansas, dedicated to the improvement of healthcare in Kansas through educating consumers, providers and aiding Medicare and Medicaid patients in receiving the highest quality healthcare available. Our vision is to serve as the primary agent in focusing the statewide healthcare community to achieve significant and continuing improvement in the quality of healthcare.

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Living Initiatives for End of Life Care

www.lifeproject.org/home.htm

The LIFE project is a collaborative effort of many organizations whose mission is to help all Kansans with advanced chronic and terminal illnesses live with dignity comfort and peace through advance directives.

Long-Term Care Ombudsman

<http://www.kansasombudsman.ks.gov/>

The office coordinates the work of long-term care ombudsmen, who act as advocates for residents of long-term care facilities across the state. They also aid administrators with resident right concerns.

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Federal Government Agencies

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

❖ The American Health Quality Association (AHQA)

www.ahqa.org

The American Health Quality Association represents Quality Improvement Organizations (QIOs) and professionals working to improve the quality of health care in communities across America. QIOs share information about best practices with physicians, hospitals, and nursing homes. Working together with health care providers, QIOs identify opportunities and provide assistance for improvement.

❖ MedQIC

<http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?pagename=Medqic/MQPage/Homepage>

A CMS resource tool designed with quality improvement agencies in mind. MedQIC offers a variety of educational content including (but not limited to): care improvement strategies, tools available for home improvement, current literature and research.

❖ Nursing Home Compare

www.medicare.gov/NHCompare/home.asp

A site designed by CMS that provides detailed information about every Medicare and Medicaid certified nursing home in the country. Individuals looking for a nursing home are encouraged to use these tools, along with the information gathered during visits to nursing homes in order to make the most informed choice. Also, an opportunity for homes to view their ratings and look for areas of improvement.

❖ Setting Targets Achieving Results (STAR)

www.nhqi-star.org

A CMS developed program that allows providers to set targets for quality measures within their facility. Registered nursing homes can view their scores; make targets, and track progress over time to increase overall performance.

❖ **Advancing Excellence in America's Nursing Homes**

<http://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/>

This is a new coalition based, two-year campaign that launched in September 2006. The campaign is reinvigorating efforts to improve the quality of care and quality of life for those living or recuperating in America's nursing homes.

The campaign's [unprecedented coalition](#) includes long-term care providers, caregivers, medical and quality improvement experts, government agencies, consumers and others. Together, we are building on the success of other quality initiatives, including Quality First, the [Nursing Home Quality Initiative \(NHQI\)](#), the culture change movement, and other quality initiatives.

Infection Control

<http://www.cdc.gov>

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is the principal agency in the United States government for protecting the health and safety of all Americans.

Medicare (General Information)

www.medicare.gov

The resource guide for information on Medicare and the link to find federal regulations. Includes information on benefits, coverage, Plan D, Medicare reform, etc.

State Regulatory Agencies and Information

Adult Care Complaint Program

http://www.agingkansas.org/CultureChange/LCE/Complaint_Investigation_Form.html

The Facility Complaint Investigation form is to be used only by KDOA regulated adult care homes in reporting the results of self-investigated allegations of abuse, neglect and/or exploitation.

Fall Guidelines

http://www.aging.state.ks.us/AdultCareHomes/BestPractice/BP_Index.htm

KDOA best practices for fall guidelines.

Kansas Department on Aging (KDOA)

www.agingkansas.org

The Kansas Department on Aging (KDOA) is the state's center for aging services and information, also the link to find state regulations. The department runs federal and state programs to aid seniors in Kansas.

❖ **To Contact KDOA (Phone: 1-800-432-3535):**

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- *Development adoption and interpretation of regulations of adult care homes. I.e, nursing facilities, assisted living/residential care, boarding care, home plus, adult day care, ICF/MR, RAI Coordinator. Provides consultation and education of regulations and interpretation, RAI, MDS submission and overall facility concerns.*

- Caryl Gill, RN, BSN Nurse Consultant
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 - Telephone, email and in-person consultation related to care issues, regulations and survey process of adult care homes and RAI.
- Sandra Dickison, Licensed Registered Dietician
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 - Reviews site and floor plans and conducts precicensure survey or adult care homes. Telephone, email and in-person consultation related to physical environment regulations.

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*Survey activity is handled on a statewide basis for the following:
- Nursing Facilities for Mental Health
- Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded

Statewide Licensed Only Program*

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*Survey activity is handled on a statewide basis for the following:
- Boarding Care
- Adult Day Care
- Home Plus Facilities
- Freestanding Assisted Living
- Freestanding Residential Health Care

Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)

www.kdheks.gov

Kansas Department of Health and Environment is designed to promote and protect the health of Kansans through the offering of public health programs and services.

- ❖ To Contact KDHE (Phone: 785-296-1500):
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Kansas Nurse Aide Registry

<http://www.ksnurseaidregistry.org/>

Check to see history and status of nurse aides to verify for employment.

Kansas State Board of Nursing Verification

<https://www.accesskansas.org/app/nursing/verification/>

Access to see history and status of nurses to verify for employment.

Sunflower Connection

http://www.aging.state.ks.us/AdultCareHomes/Newsletters/Newsletter_Index.html

Provides a link to the Sunflower Connection, a newsletter providing state regulatory information and news updates for your nursing home.

Associations

Administration on Aging

<http://www.aoa.gov/>

This site links to associations, conferences, consultants, managed care companies, nursing facilities, and assisted living corporations. News sources and publications are also found here.

American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA)

<http://www.aahsa.org>

The association represents 5,600 mission-driven, not-for-profit nursing homes, continuing care retirement communities, assisted living and senior housing facilities, and home and community-based service providers.

American Dietetic Association

<http://www.eatright.org>

With more than 67,000 members, the American Dietetic Association is the nation's largest organization of food and nutrition professionals. ADA is led by a Board of Directors comprised of national leaders in nutrition and health.

American Health Care Association (AHCA)

<http://www.ahcancal.org/Pages/Default.aspx>

The American Health Care Association (AHCA) is a non-profit federation of affiliated state health organizations, together representing more than 10,000 non-profit and for-profit assisted living, nursing facility, developmentally-disabled, and subacute care providers that care for more than 1.5 million elderly and disabled individuals nationally.

AHCA represents the long term care community to the nation at large – to government, business leaders, and the general public. It also serves as a force for change within the long term care field, providing information, education, and administrative tools that enhance quality at every level.

American Medical Directors Association (AMDA)

www.amda.com

AMDA is dedicated to excellence in patient care by providing education, advocacy, information, and professional development resources.

The Association for the Advancement of Wound Care (AAWC)

<http://www.aawconline.org/>

The Association for the Advancement of Wound Care (AAWC) is the premier international society for wound care. It is a multidisciplinary, nonprofit association, headquartered in the United States. AAWC was conceived in 1995 to accomplish and promote excellence in education, clinical practice, public policy and research.

The AAWC gives its members the opportunity, through numerous Association benefits and activities, to build a collaborative community to facilitate optimal care for those who suffer with wounds. This community encourages an equal partnership among all individuals who are involved in the care of patients.

Kansas Adult Care Executives (KACE)

www.k-a-c-e.org

KACE is the association that examines the issues and challenges of the long-term care industry from the administrator's perspective. KACE provides education, skills, and information needed by administrators to stay at the forefront.

Kansas Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (KAHSA)

www.kahsa.org

KAHSA represents 160 not-for-profit healthcare facilities and their mission is to provide services to members by assisting them in enhancing the quality of life of the elders they serve.

Kansas Dietetics Association

www.dietetics.com/kda

Promotes optimal nutrition and well-being and serves as a link to good health.

Kansas Health Care Association (KHCA)

www.khca.org

The state affiliate of the American Health Care Association, KHCA is a statewide non-profit association that supports improved health care for Kansas's LTC residents.

Kansas Hospital Association (KHA)

<http://www.kha-net.org/>

KHA is a voluntary non-profit organization existing to provide leadership and services in the delivery of health and human services.

Kansas Physical Therapy Association

www.kpta.com

The Kansas Physical Therapy Association is the member organization of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants that represents, promotes, and advocates for the profession of physical therapy, facilitates best practice, and assists members in meeting the physical therapy needs of the community.

National Association of Directors of Nursing Administration (NADONA)

<http://www.nadona.org/>

NADONA/LTC is the only professional non-profit association specifically serving Directors and Assistant Directors of Nursing in Long Term Care. NADONA/LTC promotes quality of care and quality of life for long term care residents. Also, in establishing Standards of Practice for DONs in Long Term Care, as well as providing a Certification System for DONs, NADONA/LTC seeks to enhance professional esteem for its members.

National Association of Health Care Assistants (NAHCA)

<http://www.nahcacares.org>

NAHCA was established in July 2006 to provide a professional association to more than 20,000 CNAs and Health Care Assistants representing over 500 nursing homes in 29 states and the District of Columbia. Based in Washington, DC, it provides recognition for outstanding achievements, development training for CNAs, mentoring programs to reduce CNA turnover, and advocacy for issues important to long term care and CNAs. The organization also has entered the legislative arena, providing testimony on staffing in long term care before the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging.

The Joint Commission (JCAHO)

<http://www.jointcommission.org/AccreditationPrograms/LongTermCare/>

The Joint Commission's Long Term Care Accreditation Program was established in 1966 and today accredits more than 1,300 organizations offering long term care and skilled nursing facility services. They help nursing homes and skilled nursing facilities to integrate quality improvement principles into their daily operations, and improve resident health outcomes. Achieving accreditation also makes good business sense. Not only does accreditation give your organization a competitive edge, but the accreditation process helps your organization to do the right things and do them well.

Clinical Resource Guide

Alzheimer's Caregiver guide

www.bigtreemurphy.com

For families and caregivers facing the ethical, emotional and physical care issues of Alzheimer's disease.

Best Practices in LTC (Problem-Oriented)

<http://mqa.dhs.state.tx.us/QMWeb/POR.htm>

Addresses multiple aspects of LTC practice including resident evaluation, nursing care, facility administration and medical care.

Braden Scale for Pressure Ulcers

<http://www.bradenscale.com>

The Braden Scale is a summated rating scale made up of six subscales scored from 1-3 or 4, for total scores that range from 6-23. The subscales measure functional capabilities of the patient that contribute to either higher intensity and duration of pressure or lower tissue tolerance for pressure.

Clinical Practice Guidelines

www.ahcpr.gov

Each Guideline reflects the state of the knowledge, current at the time of its release, on effective and appropriate care.

CMS MDS Website

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/minimumdatasets20/>

The official CMS website link for MDS manuals and forms.

Culture Change

❖ Action Pact

www.culturechangenow.com

Action Pact, Inc. is a company of trainers, consultants and educators who assist nursing homes and other elder care organizations in becoming resident-directed. They do this by encouraging the development of small, familiar communities which provide more opportunities for elders to give care, make decisions and have control over their daily lives. They work with clients to redesign the way the organization itself functions, moving from traditional top-down management towards a collaborative effort of self-governing teams. They conduct training sessions on topics including staff empowerment, team building and more, and also work directly with organizations to help develop and implement their change plans.

❖ Kansas Culture Change Coalition

<http://www.kansasculturechangecoalition.org/index.html>

The Kansas Culture Change Coalition is a group that provides support to long-term care organizations striving to develop systems that value the dignity of each individual who lives and works within their setting. It is an organization of diverse interest groups that combine their talents to effect change that is hard to do as individuals. The Kansas Culture Change Coalition maintains the vision of the Pioneer Network that supports a culture of aging that is life affirming, satisfying, humane, and meaningful. Culture Change can transform a "facility" into a "home, a "patient/resident" into a "person", and a "schedule" into a "choice".

❖ The Eden Alternative

www.edenalt.com

The Eden Alternative creates habitats for people who live and work in long-term care facilities.

❖ Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute (PHI)

<http://www.paraprofessional.org>

PHI works with providers, labor organizations, policymakers, educators, and consumers to foster an understanding of workforce issues and to develop solutions that will sustain a competent, caring, and stable direct-care workforce that can deliver quality services to long-term care consumers.

❖ Promoting Excellent Alternatives in Kansas Nursing Homes (PEAK)

<http://www.k-state.edu/peak/>

The PEAK initiative was created by the Kansas Department on Aging in order to promote more social, non-traditional models of long-term care. The education component of PEAK supports Kansas nursing homes in implementing progressive, innovative approaches to care that should make a significant difference in the quality of care and the quality of life for those living and working in long-term care environments. Through the Center on Aging, Kansas State University is providing diverse educational resources for nursing homes to use in this process.

❖ **PEAK Training Modules**

<http://www.k-state.edu/peak/modules.htm>

This link will connect you to sample modules designed as tools for providers to use as they work with their organizations to implement (culture) change. This link gives contact information for obtaining complete modules from Kansas State University.

❖ **Pioneer Network**

www.pioneernetwork.net

Information on culture change for elders in the 21st century.

❖ **The Wellspring Program**

www.wellspringis.org

Wellspring Innovative Solutions for Integrated Health Care was formed in 1994 as a proactive response to trends toward managed care, decreased reimbursement, and limited human resources. The Wellspring movement began as a cooperative effort between Good Shephard Services in Seymour and Evergreen Retirement Community in Oshkosh.

Excessive Heat Events Guidebook

http://www.epa.gov/heatisland/about/pdf/EHEguide_final.pdf

The EPA has recently produced a document based on research conducted about excessive heat events. EPA worked with Federal, state, local, and academic partners to develop guidance to assist communities in preparing for and responding to excessive heat events.

Falls and Fall Risk Clinical Guideline

<http://www.amda.com/tools/cpg/falls.cfm>

Collection of articles discussing the best management practices concerning falls and new approaches for future.

Geriatric Depression Scale

<http://www.stanford.edu/~yesavage/GDS.html>

This scale was developed as a basic screening measure for depression in older adults.

Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing

www.hartfordign.org

A tool to help facilities provide, teach, learn, and administer best nursing practice to older patients. Contains a comprehensive listing of websites devoted to care of elders.

Healthy Skin Magazine

<http://www.medline.com/healthyskin/>

The easy to read guide, authored by clinicians and industry experts, is formatted in a user-friendly magazine layout. It is full of suggestions and resources that will help facilities and caregivers improve patient care in accordance with the new CMS guidelines. Healthy Skin is free

of charge, and also includes easy to follow decision trees and quality assurance systems and forms. The magazine also offers continuing education opportunities.

Infection Control Guidelines

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dhqp/guidelines.html>

Infection control guidelines and recommendations to assist you in the prevention of healthcare-associated infections.

Infection Control Literature

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/infectioncontrol/healthcarefacilities.htm>

Specific link for providers to read articles concerning flu control in the healthcare setting.

MedQIC Immunization Toolkit for Nursing Homes

<http://www.qualitynet.org/http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=MQTools&pagename=Medqic%2FMQTools%2FToolTemplate&cid=1228694340762&parentName=null>

This toolkit offers specific information and education for nursing home providers, staff, beneficiaries and families on the benefits of immunization. These benefits include decreased resident hospitalization and vulnerability to pneumonia, as well as decreased staff illness. The toolkit also offers providers comprehensive and timely information related to immunization, in addition to sample guidelines and tools needed to run an effective and sustainable resident and staff immunization program.

MDS Training Sessions

http://www.kdheks.gov/bhfr/mds_oasis/index.html

KDHE list of MDS training sessions offered by their staff.

MDS Web-based Training

<http://www.mdstraining.org/upfront/u1.asp>

Provides CMS-sponsored training for both providers & state agency surveyor staff.

MDS Updates (Official Site)

<https://www.qtso.com/mdsdownload.html>

Contains MDS and QI/QM Reports.

Mayo Clinic Journals

<http://www.mayoclinicproceedings.com/>

A peer-reviewed medical journal sponsored by Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and authored by physicians around the world.

Merck Manual Online

www.merck.com

Click on “The Merck Manuals” link in upper left-hand corner to find online manuals.

National Diabetes Education Program

<http://ndep.nih.gov/index.htm>

Learn what you need to know about diabetes, including ways to [control](#) or [prevent](#) the disease. Information for [parents, children](#) and [high-risk minority populations](#) also is available, including

materials in [Spanish](#), [Asian and Pacific Islander](#) languages. Find [patient education materials](#) and diabetes education resources, [slide presentations](#), and tools designed especially for [health care professionals](#), [school personnel](#), and [business and managed care](#).

National Guideline Clearinghouse

<http://guideline.gov>

A public resource for evidence-based clinical practice guidelines.

Nursing Home Quality

<http://www.nursinghomequality.com/>

Nursing Home Quality is the premier quality improvement and [Quality Indicator Survey \(QIS\)](#) Web site for nursing homes. We are committed to providing nursing home operators and staff with the latest information and training on quality systems and preparing for QIS surveys.

Nursing Homes Magazine

www.nursinghomesmagazine.com

Free subscription - Magazine provides information to enhance the performance and success of managers and nursing leaders, to improve the residents' quality of life.

PPS System Information

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/SNFPPS/>

Information on PPS system for nursing homes.

Provider Magazine

<http://www.providermagazine.com/>

Free subscription - Provider is the monthly magazine for long term care professionals. Our exclusive affiliations with the American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living gives Provider inside access to the people who drive change in long term care. With our finger on the pulse of the profession, we deliver current and accurate information that readers rely on to act on upcoming legislation, meet regulations, deliver quality care and improve operating efficiencies.

RAI/MDS Clinicians Support

www.aanac.org

The American Association of Nurse Assessment Coordinators (AANAC) is a non-profit professional organization dedicated to supporting clinicians who are involved in the Resident Assessment Instrument/Minimum Data Set (RAI/MDS) process. They provide information on assessments/care plans/regulations/reimbursement/QI and QM and more.

The AANAC Discussion Listserv

<http://www.aanac.org/pages/discussiongroups.asp>

The AANAC discussion listserv is a free resource (you don't have to be an AANAC member to join). It is an invaluable option for homes that might need anything from P&Ps, careplans, MDS questions etc. If you'd like to join the listserv please click on the link above. Membership gives you the added benefit of doing queries of posted messages. Our only warning - this listserv is USED — so recipients usually get about 20-40 emails per day.

Regulation Information for Adult Care Homes

http://www.aging.state.ks.us/AdultCareHomes/AdultCareHomes_index.html

KDOA link to the State of Kansas statutes and regulations for Adult Care Homes. Find which document you need from link provided, point and click to download.

Restraint Article for Families

www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/safety.htm

A good article to share with families about the use of physical restraints.

Survey Guidance in Long Term Care

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/manuals/>

Begin by clicking on Internet Only Manuals (IOM) on the left. Then, under Publication #, click the link for 100-07, then click Chapter 7; Survey and Enforcement Process for Skilled Nursing Facilities and Nursing Facilities, then view PDF file. This document takes you through the survey process.

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/>

Resource for all survey guidelines. Includes CMS memoranda, letters and instructions to State Survey Agency Directors.

Surveyor Handouts

www.cms.internetstreaming.com

Site contains handouts from surveyor website training courses.

Wound, Ostomy, Continenence Nursing

www.wocn.org

A professional, international nursing society of more than 4000 nurse professionals who are experts in the care of patients with wound, ostomy and continence problems.

Education and Research

American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA)

<http://www.achca.org/>

ACHCA is a non-profit membership organization for health care administrators that provides educational programming, certification, and career development for its members.

Borun Center for Gerontological Research

<http://www.geronet.med.ucla.edu/centers/borun/aboutus-boruncenter.htm>

An interdisciplinary center for applied research focused on creating, testing, and promoting the adoption of non-medical interventions designed to improve quality of life in elderly.

Center on Aging at Kansas State University

www.k-state.edu/gerontology

Coordinates and develops educational and training programs in aging, stimulates aging research, coordinates outreach activities, and serves as a referral center for information on aging resources in Kansas.

Dr. Craig L. Broussard – Consultant Essentials of Skin and Wound Care

<http://www.craiglbroussard.com/wound.htm>

Dr. Broussard is a seasoned wound care professional with more than 12 years progressive experience in wound care and hyperbaric oxygenation; Recognized expert in the field of wound care and hyperbaric oxygen; Proficient facilitator and mentor with vast experience training physicians, nurses and ancillary health care providers. This website shows The Dressing Table, and various Dressing Trees.

Geriatric Education Resource & Training Institute (GERTI)

<http://www.gerti.info/default.shtml>

GERTI (Geriatric Education Resource & Training Institute) is the educational arm of Friends of Johnson County Nursing Center, (JCNC), Inc. GERTI's mission is to provide clinical and educational opportunities and resources in geriatric medicine and gerontology for care providers who will serve the older population. JCNC's mission is to provide the best possible long-term care services to Johnson County residents, including residents with limited assets.

- Calendar: <http://www.gerti.info/calendar.shtml>

How To Try This

<http://www.nursingcenter.com/library/static.asp?pageid=730390>

In order to provide resources that will help to fill the gap between knowledge and practice in the care of older adults, the John A. Hartford Foundation has funded the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing (HIGN) at New York University's College of Nursing, and the *American Journal of Nursing*, for a project called *How to Try This*. *How to Try This* is an initiative that will translate the evidence-based geriatric assessment tools in the HIGN *Try This* assessment series into cost-free, web-based resources including demonstration videos and a corresponding print series featured in the *AJN*.

In The Know – Your Source For CNA Inservices

<http://www.knowingmore.com>

In the Know has a program that is specifically designed to help organizations like yours train and educate certified nursing assistants and non-licensed aide caregivers in every one of your locations. The inservices can be delivered to all of your branches, facilities or locations via your company intranet. Don't have an intranet? Not a problem: we've solved that, too, with a delivery method that gets each of your locations their own set of inservices.

Institute for Caregiver Education

<http://www.caregivereducation.org/index.htm>

The Institute for Caregiver Education (IfCE) is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization that provides continuing education and professional development opportunities for healthcare professionals, including a variety of literacy, language, and life skills training for entry level staff across all disciplines. IfCE is a nationally recognized leader in the areas of Culture Change, employee education & retention, positive survey results and improved resident outcomes.

KU Center on Aging

<http://www2.kumc.edu/coa/>

The Landon Center on Aging is dedicated to promote health and well being among older adults through excellence in education, research, clinical care, and community service. Contains assessment forms, self-study programs related to care of elders.

Medicare Learning Network (MLN)

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/35_PreventiveServices.asp

The Medicare Learning Network(MLN) resources listed on this web page give Medicare fee-for-service health care professionals information on coverage, coding, billing, reimbursement, and claim filing procedures for the following Medicare-covered preventive services and screenings (subject to certain eligibility and other limitations).

Skills4Care – Online Continuing Education for LTC Professionals

<http://www.skills4care.org/>

Skills4Care was created to assist long term care professionals in finding a convenient affordable forum to complete their required continuing education credits. Skills4Care was created also to provide long term care professionals with valuable, relevant, and useable information to enhance the quality of life for nursing home residents and support those dedicated to their care.

Skills4Care is an online CEU classroom for long term care professionals. Courses can be taken at your own pace, at your convenience for an affordable price. Skills4Care's educational offerings for Nursing Home Administrators have been reviewed by the National Continuing Education Review Service (NCERS) of the National Association of Boards of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators (NAB).

The Wound Institute from Healthpoint

<http://www.thewoundinstitute.com/>

We hope that you will take advantage of the comprehensive, interactive wound care courses now available. All courses are offered at no cost to clinicians, are fully CE/CME accredited in wound care education, along with relevant case studies and exercises and are available 24/7.

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