

## Advocacy

- Met with CMS executives at Dallas regional office to advocate for improvements to survey operations and regulatory reform efforts.
- Submitted 86th interim charge recommendations to the Lt. Governor, Speaker and members of the Texas Legislature for consideration.
- Began the rulemaking process for implementation of HB 3329 (Frank), relating to health maintenance activities in assisted living.
- Promoted participation by nursing facility and assisted living members to serve on the Long Term Care Facilities Council as established by SB 1519 (Kolkhorst).
- Held several meetings with legislators and staff at the Capitol to discuss interim efforts and policy development for the 87th legislature.
- Engaged members in national advocacy efforts to advance federal initiatives including HUD funding, CNA training lockout and regulatory relief efforts.
- Submitted formal comments on the Assisted Living Emergency Preparedness rule project through HHSC.
- Continued efforts to make online training available for the classroom portion of Nurse Aide Training & Competency Evaluation (NATCEP).
- Continued efforts to adopt new rules related to the Administrator in Training and preceptorship requirements.
- Participated as a formal member of the National Academy for State Health Policy Housing & Health Institute workgroup as established by HHSC to promote Housing Plus Services models.
- Engaged members to utilize the Partners in Quality toolkit to connect with state and federal lawmakers at their communities.
- Started planning phase of the 2020 Aging Policy Summit to be held at the Texas Capitol in late January.
- Scheduled presentations at Fall Networking Events to discuss policy and regulatory updates and solicit member feedback.
- Continue participation in HHSC Nursing Facility Provider meetings, STAR+PLUS Credentialing & Minimum Standards meetings, HHSC Assisted Living Collaboration workgroup, NASHP workgroup & Housing & Health Services Coordination Council meetings.
- Continue hosting legislators and staff at member organizations throughout the interim.

## Membership

- Welcomed two Business Members who provide valuable products & services to members.
- Welcomed Permian Residential Care Center as an Aging Services Member.
- Provided members with opportunities to receive rewards while growing our membership through new membership campaigns.
- Introduced a "Board Member Profile Series" in *The Connection*.
- Focused on the "Future of Aging Services" during the 2019 Board Retreat.

## Programs

- Hosted charter member trainings for Health Plan, Inc. (HPI), the self-funded Association-Sponsored Health Plan of LeadingAge Texas.
- Released final rates for Health Plan, Inc. (HPI); Open enrollment begins Oct 1 for a plan launch date of Jan 1.
- Established LeadingCare Network Texas, a network formed by members to collectively negotiate with managed care plans.
- Hosted the first class of the 2020 Leadership Institute in San Antonio.
- Opened registration for 2019-20 Committees, Interest Groups & Peer Groups Meetings, including: Administrators, Chaplains, C-Suites, Finance, HCBS, HR, Independent Living, Marketing, Nurses, Philanthropy/Development, Public Policy, and SWAP.
- Opened registration for the fall series of Networking Events featuring a public policy town hall.

## Tools & Resources

- Provided CMS Five Star Reports & resources to improve rates with the Quality Apex data analysis tool.
- Applied for CMP funds to provide up to 100 members with a subscription to the Quality Apex data analysis tool.
- Communicated member benefits via the LeadingAge Texas website.
- Updated the *LeadingAge Texas Connection* blog with timely information on the association & the field of aging services.
- Provided updated news feeds & aging services trends categorized by provider type & topic.
- Provided CAST tools & resources that help providers implement technologies to improve the aging experience.
- Added various trends & market snapshot reports to the member tools & resources page.
- Added governance resources to the website and provided training to members' boards of directors.

## Workforce

- Updated the Center for Workforce Solutions with timely tools & resources.
- Highlighted promising workforce practices in *The Connection*.
- Offered monthly Workforce Webinars in partnership with LeadingAge Maryland.
- Participated in National Workforce Development Month in partnership with LeadingAge national.

## Professional Development

- Received over 100 session proposals for the 2020 Annual Conference (currently in the review process).
- Offered timely education, both in-person & online, to prepare members for the PDPM implementation.
- Applied for CMP funds to provide up to 50 direct-care employees with scholarships to attend the 2020 Annual Conference.
- Facilitated the fall EIA Board Meeting and began planning the 2020 Leadership Conference and Annual Conference.
- Continue to promote additional education in partnership with LeadingAge including the free education opportunities via the LeadingAge Learning Hub.

# REGISTER YOUR TEAMS

## Moving Mountains Series

1 - 2:30 pm CT • Webinars

[www.leadingagetexas.org/MovingMountains](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/MovingMountains)

This webinar series will guide providers in implementing a step-wise action plan to managed the upcoming industry changes.

Oct 2 • PDPM Triple Check Process and Billing Accuracy

Nov 6 • Skilled Nursing Supportive Documentation for PDPM

Dec 4 • MDS Coding Precision & PDPM Audit Processes

## Workforce Wednesdays

11 - 11:30 am CT • Webinars

[www.leadingagetexas.org/WorkforceWebinars](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/WorkforceWebinars)

Explore practical ideas and solutions related to building engaged, healthy workforces within their organizations.

Oct 2 • Huddles: How They Can Help Drive Engagement

Nov 6 • Understanding and Using your HR Data

Dec 4 • Student Debt Reduction Benefit: Making it Work

## Networking Events

[www.leadingagetexas.org/NetworkingEvents](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/NetworkingEvents)

Attend one of our Fall Networking Events & walk away feeling more connected with your LeadingAge Texas community & the advocacy efforts that strengthen our association!

I. North Texas: Oct 10 • 11 am - 1 pm • Fort Worth

II. Southeast Texas: TBA • Houston

III. Valley: TBA

IV. Central Texas: Oct 23 • 11 am - 1 pm • Boerne

V. West Texas: Oct 15 • 11:30 am - 2 pm • San Angelo

VI. Panhandle: TBA

VII. Heart of Texas: TBA

## 2019-2020 Peer Meetings

[www.leadingagetexas.org/Events](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/Events)

SWAP Peer Group: Oct 3 • Austin

Human Resources Peer Group: Oct 4 • Call

Administrators Peer Group: Oct 7 • New Braunfels

Finance Committee: Oct 10 • Austin

Nurses Peer Group: Oct 10 • Georgetown

Chaplains/Pastoral Care Staff: Oct 11 • Austin

Independent Living Interest Group: Oct 11 • Dallas

Public Policy Committee: Oct 18 • Austin

C-Suites Peer Group: TBA

## 2019 Texas Night Out - Happy Hour

Oct 27 • 5:30 - 7 pm • San Diego

[www.leadingagetexas.org/NightOut](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/NightOut)

Kick off your 2019 LeadingAge Annual Meeting + EXPO by enjoying high-end bites in a relaxing, casual atmosphere while connecting with your peers from back home.

*Special thanks to our sponsors, CliftonLarsonAllen, Value First, @ Ziegler.*

## MEMBER TOOLS & RESOURCES

[www.leadingagetexas.org/Resources](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/Resources)

Access our member-exclusive tools & resources including guides, trends & surveys, regulatory updates, workforce solutions, & more!

## QUALITY APEX

[www.leadingagetexas.org/QualityApex](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/QualityApex)

This affordable, secure, web-based analytics tool translates your current MDS 3.0 data into actionable information to improve quality & outcomes.

## WORKFORCE

[www.leadingagetexas.org/Workforce](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/Workforce)

Visit the LeadingAge Texas Center for Workforce Solutions for workforce-specific materials & resources.

[careers.leadingagetexas.org](http://careers.leadingagetexas.org)

Visit the LeadingAge Texas Career Center, a job board tailored to your niche talent pool: aging services professionals.

## SAVINGS & SOLUTIONS

[www.leadingagetexas.org/SavingsSolutions](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/SavingsSolutions)

Check out the Savings and Solutions resources page to view the knowledge, products, and services available to you & your organization.

## GROUP PURCHASING

[www.leadingagetexas.org/Savings](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/Savings)

Value First & our preferred vendors offer collective buying power and savings for members. Learn more today!

## LEADINGAGE TEXAS HEALTH PLAN, INC. (HPI)

[www.leadingagetexas.org/HPI](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/HPI)

HPI provides excellent, affordable employee health insurance and ancillary benefit options for LeadingAge Texas members and their employees. Open enrollment begins October 1 for a plan launch date of January 1.

## LEADINGCARE NETWORK TEXAS

[www.leadingagetexas.org/LCNT](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/LCNT)

LeadingCare Network Texas is the newly-developed network formed by members to collectively negotiate with managed care plans.

## WAYS TO ENGAGE

[www.leadingagetexas.org/Engage](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/Engage)

Access a variety of opportunities to connect with others & engage in the association.

## GROW OUR NETWORK

[www.leadingagetexas.org/MemberCampaigns](http://www.leadingagetexas.org/MemberCampaigns)

Know other non-profit senior living providers who may be interested in joining our membership? Connect us & receive rewards!