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NDAHC Members:

The purpose of the North Dakota Association for Home Care (NDAHC) is to encourage high quality, coordinated, comprehensive home health care for the citizens of our state.

Continued member support is **crucial** to the Home Care profession so that we may continue to focus on expanding Home Care funding. In 2007 we received a significant increase in personal care services reimbursement rates and in 2009, we were given a 1 dollar wage and benefit pass-through for in-home care providers and a 6% inflationary increase in reimbursement rates each year of the biennium for both Medical Assistance and Personal Care Services. The upcoming session promises to be challenging as well. We are working with key Legislators to secure a travel differential for QSP services and will also be lobbying in support of additional reimbursement increases for Home Health services. Although we have made strides in previous Legislative sessions, there is more to do.

NDAHC is also your agency's link to a network of other home care providers and current information within the industry. Home care continues to be the preferred choice of long term care for seniors and the chronically ill and it is important we continue to provide valuable services and advocate for the dignity and independence of those in need of health care. NDAHC's strategic plan focuses on our vision:



NDAHC Vision

NDAHC seeks to reverse the trend that places North Dakota citizens in institutions by fostering, developing, and promoting high standards of patient care in the home setting, while providing an organized and unified voice for home care providers in North Dakota.

I am sure you want to continue having a voice in what happens to home care in the future - and the best way to do that is to be part of the North Dakota Association of Home Care.

Please complete the attached membership renewal form and mail it to:

NDAHC
PO Box 2175
Bismarck, ND 58502-2175

Please be sure to include your e-mail address and branch information as well as the additional service information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tanya Skaar, RN". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tanya Skaar
President, NDAHC