

# ***Iowa Association of Community Providers***

## **Our Mission**

The mission of the association is to promote quality services in Iowa's communities by strengthening association members. The association is committed to promoting healthy and secure communities in which people have access to appropriate services and supports which enable them to be a part of the community of their choice.

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Iowa Association of Community Providers (IACP) is comprised of over 150 community-based organizations providing services to persons with mental illness, mental retardation, brain injury and other developmental disabilities. The association's members serve over 100,000 Iowans with disabilities, employ over 9,000 individuals and have annual budgets totaling over \$300 million.

## **Benefits of Membership**

**Legislative Presence** – IACP is recognized as the primary community-based provider association in Iowa.

**Training Opportunities** – We will prepare you to succeed in today's competitive human services environment. You'll have the opportunity to build upon your skills, cultivate relationships with your peers, and hear nationally recognized speakers. CEUs are awarded to social workers and licensed mental health workers.

**Regulatory Information** – You'll have the most recent regulatory changes and information on how new rules and regulations affect the operation of your agency; keep up with cutting-edge techniques and strategies for providing services to Iowans with disabilities.

**Publications and Communications** – The Weekly Bulletin gives you and your staff a "snapshot" of important information each week. The website gives members immediate access to public policy materials, rules, regulations, industry news and much more.

**Participation** – Share ideas with peers from around the state by participating in advisory membership forums, or serve on a standing committee. IACP members influence the direction of the Association and participation is key to moving IACP forward.

**Employee Benefit (Affinity) Programs** - IACP sponsors a group health insurance program and a workmen's compensation program.

**Endorsed Vendor Services** – IACP members receive special discounts when they take advantage of products and services available from well established, endorsed vendors.

**National Representation** – IACP is affiliated with the American Network of Community Options and Resources (ANCOR) and the National Council of Community Behavioral Healthcare (NCCBH); organizations that are at the forefront in shaping critical national policy issues.

**Networking** – Meet professionals from the human services field who can assist you with issues so that your agency may operate more efficiently and effectively. Network with the experts who can help your agency move ahead.

## **The Goals of the Association are to:**

- influence policies in the public and private sectors which promote our vision,
- secure adequate resources and meet the needs of association members and those they serve;
- to provide an atmosphere for the development of innovative and locally responsive services;
- to promote the organizational health of the association and its members;
- to provide training and educational opportunities to members;
- **and**, to provide leadership in collaboration, partnerships, and alliances among and between consumers, public and private payers, providers and other stakeholders.



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