



SKILLED  
NURSING CARE  
COALITION

## SNCC STATEHOUSE ADVOCACY DAY

JUNE 25, 2009

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Skilled Nursing Care Coalition Statehouse Advocacy Day Event on Thursday, June 25 from 11:00 - 1:00 p.m. This is an especially vital time for skilled nursing care providers, and your advocacy efforts will help us ensure public support for quality care for Ohio's frail and elderly population.

For your assistance, please find the following information:

1. Directions to the Ohio Statehouse and parking and other pertinent information regarding Capitol Square, where the Statehouse is located;
2. A map of Capitol Square showing its proximity to major roads;
3. Releases authorizing the use of individuals' names and images and to discuss resident's care

To reiterate, this advocacy event is aimed to share with legislators, the Governor and the public the importance of funding Medicaid reimbursement at a level aimed at supporting quality care of Ohio's disabled and elderly population. We will be staging the event in the Statehouse Atrium and on the South lawn of the Statehouse (facing State Street).

We ask that each participating employee "represent" a resident from the facility, and carry a small picture of the resident and to be prepared to discuss resident care needs. Staff is encouraged to wear their work clothing with name badge to visually illustrate their role as care giver. Any staffer who wishes to truly present a visual image may want to pin resident photos or mementos to their uniform as well, making for a live image of their dedication to residents. The coalition will have buttons, talking points and additional information to help participants.

The coalition will be providing a box lunch, water and speakers for the event, June 25 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Please be aware that stickers, banners, and signs on sticks, poles, or stakes are prohibited on the Statehouse grounds and building. No smoking is permitted within the Capitol Buildings.

Finally, unannounced visits to legislator's offices are discouraged. If you would like to visit your Senator or Representative while you are in Columbus, please contact their office to arrange a visit ([www.legislature.state.oh.us/](http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/)), or contact your Association office.

If you have questions about the advocacy event or getting around Capitol Square, please contact your Association office:

AOPHA: 614.444.2882

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Thank you for supporting the coalition's efforts and, most importantly, the ability of your organization to continue to provide quality care for your residents!



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