



## Member of the Board of Directors

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**Purpose:** To advise, govern, oversee policy and direction, and assist with the leadership and general promotion of the UOAA so as to support the organization's mission and needs.

**Mission:** The UOAA is an association of affiliated, non-profit, support groups who are committed to the improvement of the quality of life of people who have, or will have, an intestinal or urinary diversion. It is dedicated to the provision of information, advocacy and service to, and for, its affiliated support groups, their members and the Intestinal/urinary diversion community at large. It is organized to grow and develop while remaining independent and financially viable.

**Vision:** To have a society where people with ostomies and intestinal or urinary diversions are universally accepted and supported socially, economically, medically and psychologically.

### Major Responsibilities:

1. Active role in organizational leadership and advisement, as well as scheduled Board meetings.
2. Active role in the formulation and oversight of policies and procedures.
3. Active participation in the organization's annual evaluation and strategic planning efforts.
4. Active role in oversight of program planning and evaluation.
5. Ongoing review of organization and program reports.
6. Active promotion of the UOAA.
7. Active outreach to the community.
8. Participate in fund raising for the organization.
9. Participate in recruiting and involving members of the ostomy community as a whole, to foster future leadership.



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**Meetings and Time Commitment:**

1. Attend all scheduled Board meetings, generally held 3 times per year.
2. Directors may be asked to attend special events or meetings as they are determined.
3. Directors must be able to take on projects and finish them within the given time frame.
4. Be available for computer-conference and telephone-conference calls as determined necessary by the President.

**UOAA's Expectations of a Director:**

1. Attend and participate in meetings and special events.
2. Participate on a standing committee of the MBoD, and serve on ad-hoc committees as necessary. Makes serious commitment to participate actively in committee work.
3. Volunteer for and willingly accept assignments completing them thoroughly and on time.
4. Stay informed about committee matters, prepare well for meetings and review and comment on minutes and reports.
5. Be alert to community concerns that can be addressed by the UOAA mission, vision, objectives and programs.
6. Serve as a "UOAA Ambassador".
7. Help communicate and promote the UOAA mission, vision and programs to the community.
8. Become familiar with the UOAA finances, budget, and financial/resource needs.
9. Be mindful and keep expenses to a minimum.
10. Understand and follow the policies and procedures of the UOAA.
11. Financially support the UOAA through the Give and Get program, as set by the UOAA.