



Social Service Designee Certification In-Person Workshop

November 10-12, 2021

The Louisiana Nursing Home Association (LNHA) invites social service directors in the long-term care profession to attend the in-person Social Service Designee Certification Workshop on November 10-12, 2021. This three-day training program is a structured educational curriculum that fully orients, educates and certifies those who wish to work in Louisiana nursing facilities as a social service designee / director. The workshop will be presented by Jeff DeMars, BSW, MCCS, LNFA, CDSC, CDBS, CCDC, ADC/EDU, ACC-BC with guest speaker Tazy Bailey, MSW, LMSW.

Objectives of the seminar include:

- Identify the role of the Social Service Designee (SSD)
- Identify regulations, policies and best practices for the SSD role
- Create an individualized care plan and describe the social service components of the plan
- Learn to explain and complete the MDS 3.0 for the SSD discipline
- Understand the SSD role and learn how to work with an ID Team
- Understand the components of a psychosocial assessment and proper documentation of psychosocial needs
- Understand the survey process and what surveyors look for with social services
- Comply with the LDH-OBH requirements for mental illness, substance abuse and trauma
- Identify crisis intervention strategies to use
- Use strategies and skills for working with chronic mental illness in the long-term care arena
- Differentiate between dementia and schizophrenia
- Learn how to design an effective family council
- Learn how to use productive and effective documentation to reflect the level of care validation
- Learn to explain and advocate for resident rights
- Use effective marketing strategies to enhance census development

Date and Cost

The seminar will be on November 10-12, 2021, at the [Paragon Casino Hotel](#) in Marksville, LA. The workshop registration fee is \$275 for members and \$475 for nonmembers. Breakfast and lunch is provided; however, your hotel stay is **not** included in the registration cost. The deadline to register is **November 1**. Register online at www.lnha.org/eventscalendar; space is limited. The sign-in table opens at 8 a.m. and class starts promptly at 9 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. each day.

Hotel Information

To make your hotel reservation, call [Paragon Casino Hotel](#) at 800.642.7777 and mention group code **LNAN10G** to receive the group rate of \$96 for a standard room and \$129 for a deluxe atrium room. The deadline to receive this hotel group rate is **October 19**.

Continuing Education Credits

This continuing education activity has also been approved by the National Association for Social Workers, Louisiana Chapter and the Louisiana Certification Registry for Healthcare Ancillary Professionals, Inc. for **25** contact hours of continuing education for the following disciplines to reapply for their professional licensure, registry and/or certification:

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- Licensed Master Social Worker
- Certified Social Worker
- Registered Social Worker
- Certified Long-Term Care Social Service Designee
- Certified Activity Director
- Certified Activity Specialist
- Certified Dietary and Food Service Manager
- Certified Long-Term Care Mental Health Aide

Administrators: This session is approved by the Louisiana Board of Examiners of Nursing Facility Administrators for **18 hours** of continuing education credits.

Questions and Cancellation Policy

If you have questions, contact Julie Stacey at 225.927.5642 or at jstacey@Lnha.org. Written cancellation received in the LNHA office 10 days or more before the event will be fully refunded. Cancellation after this time frame will incur a fee equal to one-third of the cost of the seminar.

Register [online](#) today! Space is limited.