



LNHA Resident Activity Director Certification Workshop **March 10-13, 2026, in Marksville**

The Louisiana Nursing Home Association invites individuals seeking certification as Activity Directors to attend a four-day training on March 10-13, 2026, at Paragon Casino Resort in Marksville. Presented by Jeff DeMars, LNFA, ADC-EDU, ACC-BC, CDCS, CDBS, this course will teach participants how to assess and meet the activity needs of each resident. Attendees will learn creative techniques and strategies for planning, developing, and delivering meaningful, life-enriching activities in a nursing facility setting. It is recommended that certified activity directors retake this course every two years as a refresher to stay up to date with evolving policies and best practices.

Date and Location

The workshop will be on March 10-13, 2026, at the Paragon Casino Resort in Marksville. The sign-in table opens at 8 a.m. and the workshop is from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT all four days. The registration fee is \$525 for LNHA members and \$800 for nonmembers. Register online at www.Lnha.org/eventscalendar. The deadline to register online is **March 4, 2026**.

Hotel Reservation

Breakfast and lunch will be provided each day. To make a hotel reservation and receive the group rate that starts at \$109 for a room, call the [Paragon Casino Resort](http://www.ParagonCasinoResort.com) at 800.642.7777 and mention code **LRM09GR**. The deadline to receive the group hotel reservation rate is **February 26, 2026**.

Certification Information

This certification course is recognized by the State of Louisiana as an approved training program for activity directors and is also approved by the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) for assisted and independent living facilities, dementia care specialty units, group homes, adult and senior daycare programs and hospital-based skilled nursing facilities (SNFs).

This workshop consists of four days of nine-hour sessions and registrants must attend all sessions in their entirety to receive certification. Upon completion, participants will be certified to work as an activity director in Louisiana nursing facilities. It is recommended that certified activity directors retake this course every two years as a refresher to stay current with ever-changing policies and procedures.

Questions and Cancellation Policy

If you have questions, contact Julie Ory at 225.927.5642 or email jory@LNHA.org. Written cancellation received at least ten days before the event will be refunded in full. Cancellation after this date will incur a fee equal to one-third of the registration cost. In the event of an unforeseen circumstance beyond the control of LNHA, such as a pandemic-related circumstance, a severe weather event, etc., LNHA reserves the right to cancel or modify this education event and issue refunds for registration costs. The refund will not cover other expenses such as hotel or travel fees, etc.

Register today at www.lnha.org!

