

What is WACCRA?

The Washington State Continuing Care Residents Association (WACCRA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting, protecting, and improving the CCRC lifestyle; helping both existing and prospective residents understand the world of CCRCs; and providing opportunities for questions and answers.

The WACCRA Board works closely with all stakeholders including LeadingAge, an association of CCRC providers. WACCRA is an affiliate of the National Continuing Care Residents Association (NaCCRA.com).

Through WACCRA's leadership and with help from other stakeholders, RCW 18.390 went into effect on July 1, 2017. It is the first law that addresses interests beyond healthcare and services to Assisted Living, Skilled Nursing, and Memory Care residents. The law mandates that all current and future residents, including those living independently, have information and expectations available to them. Currently the Board is now proposing legislative refinements for consideration during the Washington State 2019 Legislative Session.

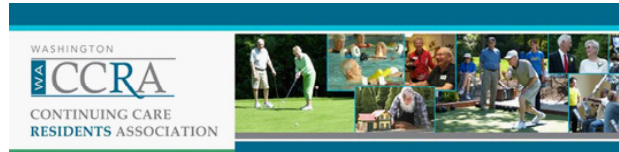
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WACCRA Services

The WACCRA Board of Directors represents many CCRC residents in Washington State. Residents, family or friends of any CCRC can join WACCRA and help sponsor the agenda.

WACCRA networks with a variety of senior-focused organizations to keep our members abreast of new opportunities and issues. These include Senior Lobby, AARP Washington, Legislative Executive Committee on Aging and Disability, and many others.

WACCRA's Education Committee maintains an extensive resource library at: www.waccra.org. Examples of articles include:

- How to Vet a CCRC
- Benefits, Yes, But Not Risk-Free
- Compare CCRC Regulations in 4 States
- Defending the Rights of CCRC Residents
- Actuarial Risks

WACCRA's Advocacy Committee works to insure residents' rights are addressed legislatively, as necessary. They also stay abreast of legislation and regulations in other states that may assist CCRC residents.

WACCRA emails a monthly newsletter to keep members informed about events, activities, and important happenings.

Questions to Consider

- Is this CCRC registered with the WA Department of Social and Health Services? (Registration is required by the new law that WACCRA sponsored.)
- What are my legal and contractual rights, responsibilities, and expectations? (The new law uses the term "expectations" which are written notice of what a CCRC is expected to provide and must be given to each CCRC resident and be publicly available to CCRC residents and visitors.)
- What services are included in a CCRC's monthly fee, what additional fees exist beyond the monthly fee, and what costs do I incur when I transition to assisted living and/or skilled nursing?
- Are the CCRC's finances and healthcare records sound? How will I be notified if the CCRC is in financial trouble? What happens to my initial investment if the CCRC goes bankrupt? (WACCRA is gathering information to answer these concerns.)
- Can my entrance fee be used for a business activity unrelated to my CCRC, such as a separate new facility not on my campus? (In some CCRCs, the answer is "Yes.")
- Do residents have representation on the governing board of the CCRC? Many don't, and the lack of transparency is being addressed by WACCRA.

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Yearly memberships begin March 1. Partial years are prorated.

Example: Joining in July? 8 months left through the next February: 8 x \$2.50 = \$20

1st Person's Dues (\$30)	\$ _____ / \$2.50/mo	Name 1 _____
2nd Person's dues (\$24)	\$ _____ / \$2.00/mo	Name 2 _____

Additional contribution to support WACCRA's legislative work	\$ _____	Street _____
		Apt # _____
TOTAL \$ _____		City/State _____

Do you or a relative reside in a CCRC?
If so, which one?

_____ Phone _____

_____ Email _____

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OR Return with your check to your community coordinator _____

Authorization: I authorize WACCRA to send the Annual Meeting Notice and any other communication electronically or by hard copy placed in my personal CCRC box.

_____ 1st person signature _____ 2nd person signature _____ Date _____

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