

## Iowa CareGivers Sign Up

Once you decide to enter the field of direct care you will want to sign up for the Iowa CareGivers free newsletter.

The Iowa CareGivers exists to serve the needs of those who work in the field of direct care. By signing up for the Hub newsletter you can stay informed about upcoming programs and events, as well as various resources to aid in your professional development and personal support.

Programs include statewide and regional educational conferences and leadership and mentor training. Also available is information on financial fitness, legislative efforts that affect your profession and other useful resources.

Visit the Iowa CareGivers website at [www.iowacaregivers.org](http://www.iowacaregivers.org)

To sign up for the newsletter, go to:  
[iowacaregivers.org/programs\\_and\\_events/roc-registration.php](http://iowacaregivers.org/programs_and_events/roc-registration.php)



## Color Code™ Personality Profile

The Color Code™ is a fun way to identify and better understand what drives you. Knowing what motivates you and others can enhance relationships and communication with family, friends, co-workers, and others. There are four primary colors: Red, Blue, Yellow, and White. There are no bad colors! Each is driven by different core motives. Generally people have a primary color and a certain percentage of secondary colors.

Take the free Color Code survey at [www.colorcode.com](http://www.colorcode.com). You will receive a free printout that explains what your primary color and core motives are. The survey will take about 30 minutes to complete. For an additional cost you can receive a detailed analysis which will provide a breakdown of your colors and motives and how they work for you. The more extensive profile analysis provides in depth information about relationships, suitable careers/jobs, and other information.

## Iowa Direct Care Workforce Initiative

The Initiative, led by the Iowa Department of Public Health, is a project to improve direct care professional education and ensure a qualified and stable direct care workforce in Iowa. The Department is currently conducting a pilot project of the training and credentialing recommendations of the legislatively-directed Direct Care Worker Advisory Council. The Direct Care Workforce Initiative website is updated regularly and provides information about the Initiative, the Council, and ways to get involved.

Learn more and sign up for e-news and other communications by visiting:  
[www.idph.state.ia.us/directcare/Default.aspx](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/directcare/Default.aspx)



## Iowa Direct Care Worker Registry

If you are a direct care worker who is certified as a nursing assistant (CNA), you may access your personal home page on the Iowa Direct Care Worker Registry. Once you have signed into the Registry, you may make changes to your name and contact information, as well as print out a CNA identification card. It is important that you keep your personal information current. If you need assistance logging into the Registry, you may download "Your Guide to Using the Iowa Direct Care Worker Registry."

To learn more, contact the Registry staff by e-mailing Greg DeMoss at [Greg.DeMoss@dia.iowa.gov](mailto:Greg.DeMoss@dia.iowa.gov), or by calling (515) 281-4077.

To visit the direct care worker home page, go to: [dia.iowa.gov/page14.html](http://dia.iowa.gov/page14.html)

## Community Colleges

Contact your local community college about what educational opportunities are available in the area of direct care and other related professions. The Iowa Association of Community College Trustees (IACCT) provides maps and contact information for all area community colleges.

For a map of Iowa's community colleges, go to: [www.iacct.com/Pages/colleges.aspx](http://www.iacct.com/Pages/colleges.aspx)

## Iowa Workforce Centers

Contact your local Iowa Workforce Development Office or community college to find out if you might be eligible for financial assistance for Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training. Also ask about Pell grants or any scholarship opportunities.

To locate the nearest Iowa Workforce Development Office, go to: [iowaworkforce.org](http://iowaworkforce.org) and click on "Iowa Workforce Center Information" to find a center nearest you.

To find a community college in your area, visit: [www.iacct.com/Pages/colleges.aspx](http://www.iacct.com/Pages/colleges.aspx)



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