

Caregiving Advocacy Issues as reported by Family Caregivers:

- Increase Federal dollars to allow for other choices in long-term care and reduce waiting lists for services.
- Work with employers to provide better benefit packages and long-term leave policies for employees.
- Provide a more comprehensive resource network for caregivers.
- Develop a program that will coordinate care and finances for loved ones.
- Provide financial support to caregivers and their loved ones, so that neither are having to choose between food and medicine or are threatened with losing their jobs.
- Develop programs and services that assist the elderly and their caregivers that are easy to understand, participate in, and benefit from.
- Develop affordable day care, home health, and personal care assistance.

Save the Date!

2007 CVFCA Town Hall Meeting
Monday, November 12, 2007
Eau Claire, WI
4:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

**RSVP to (715) 839-4735 by
November 6th, space is limited.**

CVFCA

Chippewa Valley Family Caregiving Alliance

A group of individuals representing area agencies and organizations, family caregivers of older adults and community members committed to the needs and interests of family caregivers.

Mission

The purpose of the Chippewa Valley Family Caregiving Alliance is to support and strengthen family caregivers of older adults through advocacy, education and community resources.

Vision

To empower family caregivers to improve their quality of life.

Alliance Meetings

All meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of the odd month from 11:30 am—1:00 pm, Please contact Paula Gibson at (715) 836-2287 for the next meeting location.

**For more information on the Chippewa
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its Advocacy Committee contact:**

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Do you want to make a difference on issues affecting caregivers and their loved ones?

Advocacy Resources

Become a CVFCA Advocate!

Advocacy is the act of lending support to yourself, another person or an issue of concern, while presenting or defending your own views to elicit change. Advocacy can be done on an individual level, or through collaborative efforts to make a bigger impact!

- Read newspaper articles concerning legislative changes that may affect you
- Sign-up for daily or weekly legislative notifications on issues that matter to you: <http://notify.legis.state.wi.us>
- Attend meetings regarding issues of importance to you
- Write letters or make phone calls to your local, state and federal legislators
- **Join the CVFCA and read the CVFCA Advocacy Alerts!**

Becoming an advocate
is so easy...you may
already be doing it!

AARP

www.aarp.org/ 888-687-2277

Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups

www.cwag.org/ 715-836-2287

The National Council on Aging

www.ncoa.org/ 202-479-1200

Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy

www.w-c-a.org

Who Are My Federal Legislators?

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U.S. Congressman Ron Kind

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U.S. Congressman Dave Obey

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(715) 842-5606

Who Are My State Legislators?

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