IHCA/INCAL Government Affairs Committee
Description and Responsibilities

The Governmental Affairs Committee will advise and assist in the advocacy for IHCA/INCAL members. The committee analyzes current legislation from the Indiana General Assembly that impacts, or could impact, the long term care and assisted living profession. The committee also helps craft state policy agenda items for the association to lobby. The committee coordinates with other committees of the association and makes recommendations to the IHCA/INCAL Board of Directors on legislative agenda items.

Members
Members shall be selected and appointed by IHCA/INCAL Chair and include IHCA/INCAL government affairs staff, IHCA/INCAL contracted lobbyists, government affairs specialist from member companies, and other individuals interested in government affairs from IHCA/INCAL members.

Meetings
During the legislative session the committee will meet weekly. In person attendance is preferred and highly encouraged. Between legislative sessions (the “interim”), the committee will meet quarterly by conference call.

Member terms will be for (1) year with the expectation of serving at least (2) two years. Terms will run from January 1 to December 31. Members can serve consecutive terms.

Responsibilities
1. **Attend and engage in Committee Meetings**
   The committee members are expected to actively participate and engage in the legislative process and make recommendations on legislative language. The committee will meet weekly during the legislative session, then quarterly throughout the year. During session the committee shall commit 1-2 hours a week and 1-2 hours a week quarterly during the session interim.

2. **Long Term Care Professional’s Day at the Statehouse**
   The committee members are expected to have representation from their company attend Long Term Care Professional’s Day and work with IHCA/INCAL staff to set up meetings with legislators to discuss our legislative agenda.

3. **Engagement with Legislators and Political Action Committee**
   Committee members are expected to attend at least one meeting with House or Senate leadership and an IHCA/INCAL’s lobbyist during session to discuss our legislative agenda. During the interim, members are expected to actively participate, by having representation from their company, at Indiana Health Care Political Action Committee (IHCPAC) events.

Staff
The committee is staffed by the IHCA/INCAL Director of Legislative and Political Affairs, who will organize all meetings and communicate with members.