



2008

## HEALTH CARE ADVOCACY CERTIFICATE

**PURPOSE:** To annually recognize hospital auxiliaries which actively support the Illinois Hospital Association and Constituency on Volunteers legislative activities.

**CRITERIA:** To be eligible for the Constituency on Volunteers **Health Care Advocacy Certificate**, an Auxiliary must complete the **Health Care Advocacy Certificate** application form **once Legislative Session is complete** (approximately May 31, 2008) and forward it to the IHA volunteer department by *January 15, 2009*. The requirements are:

1. Appoint a Health Advocacy Chairman (formerly titled "Legislative Chairman") and send the name, address, and telephone number to the IHA Volunteer Department.
2. Encourage participation at a local level throughout 2008 and specifically during Legislative Session, by promoting any advocacy efforts proposed by IHA this year; i.e., letter writing/postcard campaigns, calls to legislators, e-mail campaigns, etc.
3. Promote IHA PAC (*Political Action Committee*) to the Auxiliary and have at least 50% of the Auxiliary's board or 10 auxiliaries/volunteers give their support.

**REMINDER:** Please make checks payable to **IHA PAC** and send with the "**IHA PAC: Together...We Can Make A Difference**" brochure including the donor's name and hospital affiliation (including city) to:

IHA PAC  
35211 Eagle Way  
Chicago, IL 60678-1352

4. Make contribution to CoV IHREF Scholarship Fund.
5. Attendance at a workshop and/or Volunteer Leadership Retreat
6. Donate an item for the 2008 CoV Volunteer Leadership Retreat
7. Criteria must be met between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008.
8. Complete the **Health Care Advocacy Certificate** application and return it to the IHA Volunteer Department by *January 15, 2009* (**and not before Session ends, May 31, 2008**).

### RECOGNITION:

The **Health Care Advocacy Certificate** will be sent to hospital CEOs of auxiliaries meeting the criteria. The CEO and auxiliary can work together to determine the best local format for awarding certificate.

*Constituency on Volunteers*  
**2008 Health Care Advocacy Certificate**  
*Application Form*

*Criteria must be met between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008*

1. Name of Auxiliary \_\_\_\_\_  
Hospital \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name of Health Advocacy Chairman \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Our Auxiliary has encouraged participation at a local level throughout the year, and specifically during Legislative Session (*ending May 31, 2008*), by promoting any advocacy efforts proposed by IHA; i.e., letter writing/postcard campaigns, calls to legislators, e-mail campaigns, etc.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. IHA PAC Promotion (must achieve either A or B)

A. Auxiliary Board Participation

- Number of members on Auxiliary Board \_\_\_\_\_
- Names of contributors (must have 50% participation)

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B. Auxiliaries/Volunteers individual contributions

- You must have 10 contributors
- Names of contributors

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5. Other:

\_\_\_\_\_ Contributed to CoV IHREF Scholarship Fund

\_\_\_\_\_ Attendance at a workshop and/or Volunteer Leadership Retreat

\_\_\_\_\_ Donate an item for the 2008 CoV Volunteer Leadership Retreat (September)

This form **may not be completed before May 31, 2008 and must be postmarked no later than January 15, 2009.**

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