How PWSA (USA) Helps Direct Care Providers

Currently, PWSA (USA) serves direct care providers in the following ways:

- We have professional providers on our Board of Directors to help us include supporting professional providers in our mission and program.
- The PWSA (USA) Professional Provider Advisory Board consists of direct care providers and other care professionals whose responsibilities include:
  - Making statements on issues of concern to direct care providers.
  - Creating resources for direct care providers.
  - Coordinating national training conferences for providers on a semi-annual basis.
  - Facilitating a Yahoo discussion group for providers to share questions and ideas.
  - Participation in international care provider conferences sponsored by the International Prader-Willi Syndrome Organization (IPWSO). To learn more about IPWSO visit www.ipwso.org
- We regularly create resources for providers (written and video) to help with medical and behavioral management.
- Crisis Intervention Counselors (medical and non-medical) are available to consult with providers on placement problems and other issues.
- In some cases we provide on-site training for direct care providers funded by the PWSA (USA) crisis fund.
- Individual and agency memberships are available. Membership includes receiving the PWSA newsletter (electronically or by mail) and other benefits.
- And by saying thank you whenever we can for the important work you are doing on behalf of people and families living with PWS!

To learn more about any of these support services for direct care providers

Contact us at 800-926-4797 or visit www.pwsausa.org

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