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# A Better Way Coalition

Life on Our Own Terms

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### A Better Way Coalition

A statewide end-of-life non-profit coalition open to professional associations and organizations, citizen advocacy groups, concerned individuals, health care and medical facilities, hospices, educational institutions, related government agencies, and local coalitions throughout Idaho. Each member is committed to the mission and contributes to the ongoing success of the Coalition.

### The Mission...

A Better Way Coalition provides knowledge, tools and mechanisms to promote broad based, compassionate palliative care for terminally ill people and the frail elderly who are completing life.

### Promoting issues of interest to the public and professionals providing end of life care...

A Better Way Coalition is an advocate for change. Members believe that the most effective way to move from a death denying to a life-affirming culture is to promote professional development and community awareness at the state and local level. In support of this dual activity the Coalition:

- ◆ Compiles and makes available information on member, community and state needs.
- ◆ Fosters opportunities for public and professional dialogue on end-of-life issues, including a discussion board for Coalition members and electronic distribution list for professional information sharing.
- ◆ Encourages and supports local end-of-life coalition building throughout the state.
- ◆ Educates on legislative bills and relevant policy matters.
- ◆ Facilitates palliative end-of-life training for professionals.
- ◆ Circulates news releases and other media promotion to stimulate awareness of end-of-life issues.
- ◆ Describes to the potential workforce and volunteers the value and rewards of end-of-life care giving.
- ◆ Sponsors and maintains a website that centralizes information on training and professional development opportunities, increases access to Idaho resources, links users to national and international information on end-of-life issues.
- ◆ Convenes ad hoc committee/s to research key end-of-life issues such as advance care planning or pain management and to publish an Idaho White Paper on the issue which includes definition of existing laws, common practices, the 'gold standard' and outlines recommended actions.

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 Partner     Member     Associate

## A BETTER WAY COALITION ~ MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual dues support Coalition activities and initiatives.

### PARTNER

- STATEWIDE organizations and interested individuals ~ \$250+

### MEMBER

- END OF LIFE COALITION ~ Local end-of-life coalition ~ \$100
- REGIONAL ~ College, university, health system ~ \$100
- ORGANIZATION ~ Local agencies, businesses, organizations ~ \$50
- INDIVIDUAL ~ Concerned citizens and professionals ~ \$25

### ASSOCIATE

- Organizations & individuals support coalition initiatives with in-kind contributions of time, resources and expertise.

Name (Individual or Organization) \_\_\_\_\_

Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION

Send completed form with check or money order payable to *A Better Way Coalition* in the amount indicated below.

Attention: PO Box 496, Boise, ID 83701 1.208.343.9735 ~ [jill@abetterwaycoalition.org](mailto:jill@abetterwaycoalition.org)

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_