

Recipient! 2004 Rallying Points National Emerging Coalition Award of Excellence!

A Better Way Coalition Life on Our Own Terms

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

A Better Way Coalition

A Statewide end-of-life 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 and dying 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 levels. 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 caregiving.
- Sponsors and maintains a Website that centralizes information on training and professional development opportunities, increases access to Idaho resources, and links users to national and international information on end-of-life issues.
- Convenes ad hoc committees to research key end-of-life issues, such as advance care planning or pain management and to produce appropriate publications on key issues in Idaho, which include definitions of existing laws, common practices, 'gold standards' of excellence, and recommended actions.

Retain the top half of this form for your records: Partner Member Associate
Payment for \$_____ made on: _____ Check number: _____

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 coalitions ~ \$100

REGIONAL ~ College, university, health systems ~ \$100

ORGANIZATION ~ Local agencies, businesses, organizations ~ \$50

INDIVIDUAL ~ Concerned citizens and professionals ~ \$25

ASSOCIATE

Organizations and individuals support coalition initiatives with in-kind contributions of time, resources, and expertise ~ \$0

Name (Individual or Organization): _____

Representative: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **E-Mail:** _____ **Fax:** _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Send completed form with check or money order payable to *A Better Way Coalition* in the amount indicated above.
Attention: CK Simpson-Whitaker, 5572 N. Turret Way, Boise, ID 83703 [1.208.429.1203 ~ director@abetterwaycoalition.org].

Amount enclosed: _____ Date: _____ Name: _____