

Indiana State Department of Health
Indian Nursing Home Advanced Education Project
Questions and Answers

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Who from the facility should participate in the Advanced Education training courses?

ANSWER: The ISDH envisions each nursing home eventually having an individual to provide leadership for specific care issues such as Alzheimer's and dementia care, wound care, infection prevention, abuse prevention, and process improvement. A few years ago, the ISDH adopted rules requiring facilities to have a Director of an Alzheimer's and Dementia Care Unit. That individual would be an appropriate person to participate in the Alzheimer's training course. Our goal is that eventually each of these areas will have a director with advanced training to serve as a facility resource and leader for that particular focus. The ISDH would not expect the same person to serve in multiple roles nor would expect a facility administrator or director of nursing to serve in those roles. The ISDH therefore recommends that facilities begin to identify staff for each area to obtain specialized skills and knowledge.