

BECOME AN ALZHEIMER'S ADVOCATE!

The Alzheimer's Association is now recruiting volunteers from North Idaho & Eastern Washington to become Alzheimer's Advocates!

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Caring for a person with Alzheimer's disease has been called "an act of love with monumental consequences." Family caregivers find themselves caught between emotional and financial ruin. It is with these caregivers in mind that advocates will communicate to public officials the special needs and concerns of Alzheimer patients and their families. An estimated 19,000 people in Idaho and an estimated 100,000 people in Washington are affected by Alzheimer's, now the 4th leading cause of death for adults.

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Advocates can:

- Work with state and federal legislators and public officials to promote policies that support a range of accessible, quality services for people with Alzheimer's and their families
- Testify before legislative commissions and committees
- Meet with individual officials and legislators
- Represent the Association in coalition meetings in the community
- Be involved in letter writing campaigns
- Organize local activities highlighting specific problems
- Be involved in policy research activities

Some of our advocates can give only an hour a month: other much more. Schedules and activities for each advocate are developed on an individualized basis.

***Training Sessions will be held
 May 15, 2009
 Guardian Angel Home-Liberty Lake
 23102 E. Mission Ave.
 Liberty Lake, WA
 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
 Refreshments will be provided***

To register, or for more information, please contact Joel Loiacono at (509) 473-3390.

The Alzheimer's Association is the only voluntary national health organization dedicated to conquering Alzheimer's disease through research and to providing information and support to people with Alzheimer's disease and their families. Founded in 1980, the Association works through a network of more than 81 chapters across the country.