

WiAHC: Rep. Amy Loudenbeck receives WiAHC's champion of Home Health Care Legislative Award

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Kimberly, WI - The Wisconsin Association for Home Health Care (WiAHC) was thrilled to present Rep. Amy Loudenbeck (R-Clinton) with the organization's 2022 *Champion of Home Health Care* legislative award for her leadership on policies to advance home health care in Wisconsin and strengthen the delivery of patient care provided by home health professionals. The award was presented to Loudenbeck at the WiACH 2022 Spring Conference held on June 2-3 in Wisconsin Dells, WI.

"Representative Loudenbeck was a strong voice for home health care during the 2021-22 legislative session, and she was instrumental in the successful effort to increase the Medicaid reimbursement rate for skilled nursing provided in a home health setting," said WiAHC Board member Tyler Baures, who presented the award to Loudenbeck. "Her leadership on this critical initiative cannot be understated and will help strengthen the state's home health care workforce and expand access to home health services for the state's Medicaid population."

The *Champion of Home Health Care* award is presented at the end of each two-year legislative session to state lawmakers who exemplify WiAHC's mission of promoting, protecting, and advancing the highest quality health care at home for Wisconsin patients. In 2022, WiAHC is presenting the award to only four legislators, including Loudenbeck. These lawmakers exhibited an exceptional commitment to supporting home health care based on several factors, including voting record, sponsorship of legislation, and responsiveness to critical home health issues during the 2021-22 session.

Loudenbeck, who was first elected to the Wisconsin Assembly in 2010, represents the 31st Assembly District, which includes portions of Rock and Walworth Counties and serves as the Vice-Chair of the state Legislature's Joint Finance Committee. She is currently running for Wisconsin Secretary of State.

"Home health professionals provide quality care and peace of mind to individuals and families across Wisconsin. I am happy to support their important work," said Loudenbeck.

The Wisconsin Association for Home Health Care (WiAHC) is a statewide membership-based organization that represents the interests of home health care agencies and their employees. Through education, best practices, and advocacy, WiAHC advances the common interests of its members and their patients, and promotes home health care as a high-quality, cost-effective health care option.