

What is UOAA?

UOAA is a national network for bowel and urinary diversion support groups in the United States. Its goal is to provide a nonprofit association that will serve to unify and strengthen its member support groups, which are organized for the benefit of people who have, or will have intestinal or urinary diversions, and their caregivers.

UOAA's Mission

We are dedicated to the provision of information, advocacy and service to, and for, our affiliated support groups, their members and the intestinal/urinary diversion community at large.

Cedar Rapids – Iowa City Area Ostomy Support Group #171

Our local chapter meets regularly to share experiences, provide mutual support and learn about the latest products and information for ostomy, urostomy and intestinal diversions. Meetings involve informal round-table discussions on topics of interest, new product demonstrations, occasional guest speakers, and a question and answer session with one of the local WOC nurses. Families and friends of ostomy and intestinal diversion patients are always welcome to attend.

Patient Visiting Program

The Visiting Program of the UOAA offers person-to-person support to people who are undergoing ostomy or related surgery. Visitors help patients and their family members adjust to this life-saving surgery, and achieve optimal physical, emotional and social rehabilitation.

A Visitor is an experienced and well-adjusted ostomate or family member who has received specialized training

to visit with ostomy or diversion patients and their loved ones, and who can answer questions about living with an ostomy. Visitors maintain membership in our local ostomy support group. They are careful to comply with the HIPPA Privacy Rules when obtaining referrals from medical personnel. Visits can be made during the hospital stay, in the home, in another convenient location, or on the telephone. Follow up visits are made if needed. To schedule a visit, contact us via the information below, or fill out the form on the reverse side and either mail it or give it to your WOC nurse.

CEDAR RAPIDS-IOWA CITY OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP

For Information about support group meetings, or to schedule a Patient Visitor, contact:

Carol Haack, Group Coordinator
319-530-6749

Kimberly Cay, Visitor Coordinator
319-363-3630

Vicki Kee, Treasurer
319-338-2751

Email: info@iowaostomy.org
www.iowaostomy.org

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OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP #171**

Yes! I'd like someone to contact me!
(please print)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Age _____ Gender _____

Diagnosis _____

Type of surgery:

Urinary diversion Continent diversion

Colostomy Ileostomy

Unknown

Check all that apply:

I want to schedule a visit from group member.

Please send me an information packet.

I'd like meeting times and dates.

Please put me on the mailing list for the local chapter newsletter, The Short Circuit.

Give this form to your medical provider, or mail it to:
Cedar Rapids - Iowa City Ostomy Support Group
c/o Vicki Kee, PO Box 133
Oakdale, IA 52319

The UOAA and its affiliate, the Cedar Rapids – Iowa City Ostomy Support Group #171, comply with all HIPPA regulations. Your medical information will remain completely confidential.

The **United Ostomy Associations of America** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization incorporated in New Jersey. The UOAA serves to unify and strengthen ostomy support groups in America.

UOAA services include: Advocacy • Non-profit Status • Conferences • The Phoenix magazine • Toll-free Help/Referral Line • Special Interest Groups • Ostomy Community Liaison

For more information, contact the UOAA at 800-826-0826, or at www.uoaa.org.

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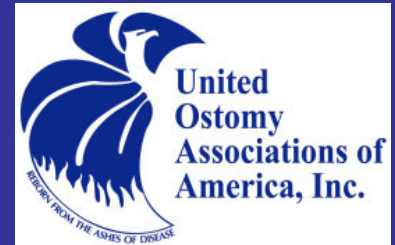
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