



NDLTCA Newsletter

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NDLTCA Education

 **Last Chance for Early Bird Registration!**

2025 Summer Administrator's Conference

All Members

 July 22–25, 2025 |  Chase on the Lake, Walker, MN

Don't miss your chance to save! **Early bird registration for the 2025 Summer Administrator's Conference ends July 2**—register now to lock in the discounted rate.

Join long term care administrators, industry experts, and thought leaders for four inspiring days of learning, networking, and relaxation at the beautiful **Chase on the Lake resort** in Walker, MN.

Highlights include:

- Engaging educational sessions
- Evening networking events
- Scenic lakeside setting perfect for recharging

 **Register Now & View Full Schedule:** ndltca.org/events/administrators-conference

Spots are filling fast—**register by July 2** to take advantage of early bird pricing. We can't wait to see you in Walker!

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In the News

CMS is eliminating "old, third-cycle inspection results from its health inspection rating

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[McKnight's Long-Term Care News](#) (6/19, Marselas) reports CMS is eliminating "old, third-cycle inspection results from its health inspection rating," and "about 20% of nursing homes could see their ratings change – for better or worse – as a result." Harmon said, "We remain fully supportive of transparency that helps consumers and families make informed decisions about their care and offers a more accurate, current picture of the quality of each facility."

Health Insurance Providers Announce Initiative To Streamline Prior Authorization Process

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[Skilled Nursing News](#) (6/23, Siddiqi) reports "more than 40 health insurance providers announced a joint initiative on Monday and met with Trump administration officials to overhaul and streamline the prior authorization process by reducing administrative burdens on health care providers," but "there remains a big question mark over whether the move will ease pain points for nursing homes." AHCA/NCAL Vice President of Reimbursement Policy & Population Health Nisha Hammel said, "We appreciate that insurers are recognizing the current challenges with the prior authorization process and are taking steps to meet federal requirements as well as set their own standards for making improvements."

HUD Announces "Express Lane" Program For Section 232 Mortgage Insurance

All Members

[Senior Housing News](#) (6/20, Christman) reported "the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced it is rolling out a new 'Express Lane' program for its Section 232 Mortgage Insurance for Residential Care Facilities program." According to Senior Housing News, "While the program is aimed toward aiding skilled nursing facilities with receiving HUD funding, the overall impact for senior living is likely going to be limited."

Assisted Living

Helpful Resources for Assisted Living Families and Tenants

AL

AHCA/NCAL has created a valuable website with tools and information for families and tenants in assisted living. It covers questions to ask when choosing a community, tips for navigating care needs, and other helpful resources. Feel free to share this site with your residents and their families:

www.ahcancal.org/Assisted-Living/Consumer-Resources

HHS

HHS request for information on deregulation

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The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released a new [request for information](#) (RFI), Ensuring Lawful Regulation and Unleashing Innovation To Make American Healthy Again. HHS is seeking information from stakeholders on how to deregulate across all agencies within the Department. The RFI states that HHS's goal is to address regulations that are unnecessary, inconsistent with the law, overly burdensome, outdated, out of alignment with current Executive orders, or otherwise unsound. Responses are being accepted through **July 14, 2025**, via [regulations.gov](#).

CMS Posts FY 2026 ICD-10-CM Update

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CMS recently posted the 2026 ICD-10-CM files, which contain information on the ICD-10-CM updates for Fiscal Year 2026. [Read More](#)

ND Olmstead Commission

Olmstead Commission Advisory Council

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The North Dakota Olmstead Commission has formed the Olmstead Commission Advisory Council, to increase the voice and involvement of persons with lived experience in Olmstead Commission work. The Council is comprised primarily of individuals with disabilities, their parents, guardians or family members, and advocates.

This is intended to be a group of individuals with lived experience that will meet regularly, to provide feedback and context to what is presented/discussed at Olmstead Commission meetings, and to take part in ongoing projects to bring the voice of experience to the table. The Council will provide knowledge to the Olmstead Commission on community living policies and programs, including but not limited to long-term services and supports, transportation and housing, and employment opportunities.

Please see the [Advisory Council's website](#) for how to apply.

Workforce

U.S. Department of Labor Provides Relief for SNFs Furnishing Care to Veterans

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On June 11, 2025, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) issued [Directive \(DIR\) 2021-01 Revision 2](#) titled *Extending the Scheduling Moratorium for Veterans Affairs Health Benefits Program (VAHBP) Providers*. The purpose of the directive is to maintain access to health care for veterans by extending a moratorium on the enforcement of affirmative obligations required of VAHBP providers. The OFCCP defines VAHBP providers “as an umbrella term to encompass health care providers that contract with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, including those in Veterans Affairs [Community](#)

Care Networks, as well as Veterans Care Agreements created pursuant to 2018 VA MISSION Act.”

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AHCA thanks U.S. Senator John Hoeven (R-ND) for his outreach to OFCCP on this matter and his long-standing commitment to ensuring our nation’s veterans have access to long term care through his advocacy on issues such as this one.

[Read more...](#)

NDLTCA Website: Keep Your Job Listings Up to Date!

All Members

Are your job postings current?

We’re encouraging all members to take a few moments to review the job postings listed on our website:

 [NDLTCA Job Openings](#)

If any of the positions you’ve posted are no longer open or need to be updated, please let us know so we can make the necessary changes. Keeping this page current helps job seekers find the right opportunities—and ensures your organization stays visible to top talent.

Have a new job to share?

We’d love to include it! Simply send us the following:

- The job title and description
- Any important details (e.g., location, application deadline)
- A link to the job posting on your organization’s website

You can send updates or new listings to Belma at belma@ndltca.org

Thank you for helping us keep our job board accurate and helpful for everyone!

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Contact us at 701-222-0660 or email Nikki at nikki@ndltca.org or Peggy at peggy@ndltca.org.