

# Administrator Alert

## *Policy updates & rule clarifications for Assisted Living, Residential Care & Nursing Facilities*

Office of Licensing & Quality — Oregon Department of Human Services

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### *Survey on Dementia Care*

The State Plan for Alzheimer's and Dementia in Oregon Care (Plan) was released this last summer. Recommendations in the Plan call for workgroups to examine the issues surrounding dementia and make recommendations that will enhance the supports provided to people with dementia. Here is a link to the Plan so you may read it in full.

[http://www.alz.org/oregon/documents/spado\\_report.pdf](http://www.alz.org/oregon/documents/spado_report.pdf)

In order for the workgroups to develop meaningful strategies it is imperative to gain insight from individuals who work in Oregon's long term care settings as to what practices in dementia care are implemented in the endorsed Memory Care Communities as well as the non-endorsed settings. It is also an opportunity to get your perspective on current regulations and what improvements could be made to support people with dementia.

Two workgroups will benefit from this information. One workgroup (see Recommendation 2.A of the plan) is working on identifying quality standards and measurable outcomes for dementia care in Oregon's long term care settings. The other workgroup is exploring ways to provide services to people who require a higher level of support to people who have significant behavioral symptoms. (See Recommendation 4.A of the plan)

The collective information obtained through this confidential survey may also be used for future planning and policy development. Individual facilities will not be identified. Staff members who provide direct services to residents as well as management staff are welcome to complete this survey.

#### **Directions for Completing the Survey:**

If your setting is an **endorsed** Memory Care Community please click onto this link

<https://survey.emp.state.or.us/surveys/HRVQWW/>.

If your setting is a **non-endorsed** community such as a residential care facility, nursing facility or assisted living, please click onto this link

<https://survey.emp.state.or.us/surveys/BMTG9Y/>.



If your community has both endorsed and non-endorsed, then please complete both surveys.  
Please complete the survey by March 22, 2013.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey(s). We know your time is valuable, but this information will be very useful for our workgroups and future planning.

If you should have any questions regarding this survey, please contact Jan Karlen at [Jan.Karlen@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:Jan.Karlen@dhsosha.state.or.us) or 503-945-6918.