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WHAT ARE OUR PROVIDERS REQUIRED TO DO IF AN EMERGENCY HAPPENS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES OR HOMES??:

You may have read or heard about the assisted living community in Kentucky where a male driver from a home health agency entered the community and sexually assaulted two male residents. As the executive director of the provider, what would you do if this happened in your community? According to DAIL and OIG, you are required to do three things immediately:

- 1. Call the Police.**
- 2. Contact Adult Protective Services.**
- 3. Call DAIL or OIG to report the incident.**

Some of our executive director's were not aware of these requirements. We are not sure if these requirements are spelled out in the regulations, but now you know the protocol that is expected.

DEMENTIA WORKSHOP REGISTER TODAY!!!!!!!

The Dementia Workshop will be on September 7, 2017 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the U of L Shelby Campus, Berhans Hall, Room 162 & 163. Please go to our website under "Education" to get all of the information and the registration form for this workshop. We are expecting a big crowd for this one, so get your registrations in as soon as possible!!!

NOTE TO ASSOCIATE MEMBERS: If you would like to have a blog on our e-Blast about your products or services, send us your blog not to exceed 150 words by mail or email. Thank you for your support of KALFA!!!

ASSISTED LIVING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CERTIFICATION PROGRAM:

We have received clarification as to who can sit for the exam to become Certified Directors of Assisted Living (CDALs). In order for certification to be granted, all applicants for certification must:

- (1) Possess a bachelor's degree.**
- (2) Have at least three years (6,000 hours) work experience as an executive director of a certified or licensed assisted living community, or 5 years (10,000 hours) in a management capacity in one or more certified or licensed assisted living communities, and**
- (3) Pass the certification examination for assisted living community executive directors.**

OR

- (1) Have at least five years (10,000 hours) work experience as an executive director of a certified or licensed assisted living community, or 7 years (14,000 hours) in a management capacity in one or more certified or licensed assisted living communities, and**
- (2) Pass the certification examination for assisted living community executive directors.**

If you feel you meet eligibility criteria and are ready to initiate the registration process please go online to register at

www.slccertification.org.

The registration fee for an Argentum State Partner member is \$575 per person. Kentucky Assisted Living Facilities Association (KALFA) is the Argentum State Partner for Kentucky. The national assisted living companies in KY that have endorsed the executive director certification program are: Atria Senior Living; Belmont Village Senior Living; Brookdale Senior Living; Elmcroft Senior Living; Five Star Senior Living; and Thrive Senior Living. KALFA has also endorsed the executive director certification program.

PERSONAL CARE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS:

A member Personal Care Home had two questions for KALFA this week. The first related to how often a care plan should be given for the resident. The answer is that

given for the resident. The answer is that the care plan should be developed on admission, and updated whenever the resident's condition changes or care needs change.

The other question related to the various levels of potential deficiencies and related fines from OIG as they relate to Personal Care Homes. We asked Sandra Houchen, RN, Director, Division of Health Care, Office of Inspector General to give us guidance on this question. Ms. Houchen emailed the following: "Regarding if there is a scope/severity tiering system for PCH deficiencies like there is with skilled nursing facilities, the answer is no. However, there are some things that are listed in the criteria developed for Type A and B citations that can be cited and written as a Type A or B citation and many of these criteria do apply to PCH's. There are dollar amounts that can be assessed for receiving a Citation and for each day the citation remains uncorrected past the correction date. I have included a link below that describes Type A and B citations and also discusses specific dollar amounts that can be levied, as well as the specific issues for which a Type A or B citation can be written."

The link is:

<http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/900/002/040.htm>

Sandra Houchen, RN, was the OIG representative that was so helpful at the conference in June. We sincerely appreciate her help in interpreting the Personal Care Home regulations.

A PERSONAL NOTE FROM BOB WHITE, E. D.:

I will be having minor surgery "trigger-finger" on Thursday, August 31, 2017 and will be out of the office until Tuesday, September 5, 2017. I will have limited access to my phone and the internet, but I will have both with me if you have an immediate need. Also, I will be on vacation September 16 – 24 and will be back in the office on September 25, 2017.

Have a great week!!!
Bob White,
Executive Director, KALFA

SAVE THE DATE:
2018 KALFA CONFERENCE AND
EXHIBITION
May 30 & 31, 2018
The Brown Hotel, Louisville, KY

