

Attachment B.3 Letter of Support



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CDC's National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) is in the process of building a national list of all state-licensed residential care communities in the United States.

The listing will include residential care communities ("conventional" residential care communities), like has been done for the previous three waves of the National Study of Long-Term Care Providers (NSLTCP). For the first time, the listing will include residential care communities licensed to exclusively serve the intellectually disabled or developmentally disabled adult populations ("IDD-exclusive" residential care communities), to inform NSLTCP waves beyond 2018.

The information will be collected from state government representatives in 50 states and the District of Columbia. Information to be collected includes the name, address, phone number, and website (if available) of the residential care community, name, phone number, and email address (if available) of community director, licensure category, chain affiliation, ownership type, bed size, and type of residents served (i.e. Alzheimer's/dementia, developmentally disabled).

The Center for Excellence in Assisted Living (CEAL), an organization representing providers, advocates, and other stakeholders in assisted living (see theceal.org) strongly encourages your participation as do the following organizations:

- American Seniors Housing Association (ASHA)
- Argentum (formerly ALFA)
- LeadingAge
- National Center for Assisted Living/American Health Care Association (NCAL/AHCA)

The collected data on conventional residential care communities will enable NCHS to do the following for the 2018 NSLTCP residential care community survey: 1) determine which providers should be in the sampling frame; 2) inform the sampling design; 3) select a nationally representative sample of residential care communities; and 4) conduct nonresponse bias analysis. Although the collected data on IDD-exclusive residential care facilities will not be used for the 2018 survey, these data will be used to 1) identify the prevalence and distribution of these facilities and 2) inform inclusion and sampling design decisions for future waves of NSLTCP beyond 2018.