

## ALAC Meeting National Update:

BDR Request: To allow caregivers in RFGs and ALs to perform and record vital signs: temperature, blood pressure, pulse, apical heart rate, respirations, oxygen saturation and finger stick glucose

- Coalition: NVALC, Association of Homecare Owners of Northern Nevada (AHONN) and Residential Care Home Community Alliance of Nevada (RCHCAN)
- Supporters: HIRC, Adult Day Care – Support all licensed and regulated under 449  
AARP, Medic West, AMR, Perry Foundation, NVHCA Skilled Nursing

## What's Trending:

- DOJ – 10 New Elder Justice Task Force

### Quality, Fraud and Abuse in LTC

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration on Aging and Office of Inspector General (OIG), along with the National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units (NAMFCU) and National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA), and the state LTC Ombudsman offices announced the launch of 10 regional Elder Justice Task Forces in the Northern District of CA, Northern District of GA, District of KS, Western District of KY, Northern District of IO, District of MD, Southern District of OH, Eastern District of PA, Middle District of TN and the Western District of WA. These task forces will “[coordinate] and [enhance] efforts [among federal, state and local prosecutors, law enforcement, and various other agencies] to identify and bring to justice nursing homes that provide grossly substandard care to their residents.”

- Social Media

Social Media and Residents: Tweets raising eyebrows in DC. Appropriate social media posts following company privacy/permission policies.

- GAO report

GAO report just released: Concerned with Medicaid funding, Questioned absence of federal standardized oversight and concern with only state oversight.

- HCBS

NCAL continues to work with CMS on HCBS and the unintended consequences of their rules. In the process of developing and updating compendium. Newly formed HCBS Work Group of colleagues that are focusing on issues around implementation of the HCBS final rule.

Tennessee first to have plan approved.

- Cost Calculator

NCAL developing a Cost Calculator. Web based program to allow communities to calculate the cost per resident per day.

- National Assisted Living Week – September 11-17, 2016 “Keep Connected”