

STATE OF NEVADA **NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES** 6880 S. McCarran Blvd., Bldg A – Suite 12 Reno, Nevada 89509 (775) 688-1653 • Fax (775) 688-1656

April 18, 2016

Dear SNF and RFA Administrators;

The purpose of this letter is to reach out to you to let you know the Nevada Department of Veterans Services (NDVS) is attempting to find our many veterans that reside in care facilities.

It is part of our statutory mission to assure all veterans, regardless of where they live, receive information, education and support to secure their benefits from the Veterans Administration. Over the past few years, some of the qualifying criteria have changed and we have found many of our veterans are not receiving benefits they have rightly earned. In addition, many of our veterans have not been able to navigate the VA system to secure their entitled benefits.

As a state agency, our Veteran Service Officers, provide the guidance and research for our veterans at no cost to the facility or the veteran. To that end, we need your assistance to advise us if you have any veterans in your residence/facility and if they are currently accessing the VA medical facilities and have received Aid and Attendance or VA benefits. If they have not, we want to help, and even if they are, we would like to assist to see if they are eligible for additional consideration of other VA benefits.

We want to thank BELTCA for assisting us in this important effort and request you help us serve our Nevada Heroes. Don't hesitate to call me if you have questions as well.

Please complete the second page and fax or mail it to us so that we can continue this initiative.

Most respectfully,

Wendy Simons, Deputy Director Wellness Windy Simons CC: Kat Miller, Director NDVS Kathleen Dussault, Deputy Director of Benefits

## Nevada Department of Veterans Services Questionnaire Skilled Nursing and Residential Care Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities 4/18/16

| Facility name:  |
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| Facility type: Residential Care Facility Skilled Nursing Facility   |
| Administrator:  |
| Address:  |
| City, State, Zip  |
| Phone number:   |
| E-mail: (Optional)  |
| How many veterans do you have in your facility?   |
| How many receive Aid and Attendance?  |
| How many receive medical care at the VA Hospital?   |
| What is the age range of your veterans?   |
| Do you have any other comments or questions for NDVS?   |
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| Please fax to: (775) 688-1656<br>Or mail to: Nevada Department of Veterans Services<br>6880 S. McCarran Blvd, Building A, Suite 12<br>Reno NV 89509 |

Or scan and e-mail to: johnsonc@veterans.nv.gov Subject: Administrator survey