



Dear Members,

Mass-ALA is advocating together with our national partner, Argentum, for a specific allocation of \$5 billion to be made to senior living operators, and to use the definition of assisted living in the Older Americans Act in the American Rescue Plan. Argentum is also requesting funds to be released from the Provider Relief Fund to those who applied last year and did not receive funds and for senior living communities to be prioritized for vaccine distribution. Argentum is asking for your help with their advocacy by participating in their [Standing With Seniors](#) grassroots letter-writing campaign. Choose from one of the links below and just fill in your contact information and you will be matched with your legislators. If you choose, you can edit the pre-written letter to share your own story. Once your letter is complete simply click send.

The links for the pre-written letter are as follows:

- [Residents](#)
- [Family Members](#)
- [Community Staff](#)
- [Senior Care Advocate](#)

Also, if you would like to join Mass-ALA in meetings with key members and staff of our Congressional Delegation to help advocate for this in virtual meetings next week, register for Argentum's upcoming complimentary and virtual [Public Policy Institute](#), February 22-24. You will hear remarks from several key members of Congress and the Biden administration, as well as hear from experts on COVID-19 relief, workforce/labor issues, federal oversight, and more.

Thank you for your support.

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