

# UPDATE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



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Dear Members,

EOEA has informed us that the Assisted Living Certification Unit will resume on-site recertification compliance reviews beginning the week of April 5, 2021. Recognizing the impact of the pandemic on every aspect of operating an assisted living community, Mass-ALA has advocated for a predictable process to be established by EOEA that would allow for ALRs to be notified of specific timelines regarding when to anticipate the recertification compliance reviews to take place. We requested that this process involve clarification of any additional information that may need to be provided to EOEA from ALRs that have already submitted their recertification paperwork.

Please see below for the full notice sent from EOEA today.

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Good afternoon ALR Executive Directors,

I am sending this email to inform you that the Assisted Living Certification Unit will begin resuming the process of on-site recertification compliance reviews beginning the week of April 5, 2021.

EOEA is aware that the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the usual procedures and schedules of ALR employees and management and has taken this into consideration in planning the resumption of the compliance review process so as to meet the regulatory obligation in accordance with 651 CMR 12.09 in a most efficient manner. Please be assured that the plan is to have structured timeline that should provide sufficient time for you and your team to gather requested documents and prepare for the arrival of EOEA's AL Certification Team. The staff is anxious to get back to work and is committed to maintaining COVID-19 communicable disease procedures while in your community.

You will receive additional notifications to keep you updated and informed of the process and scheduling which at this time will be set on a monthly basis. EOEA will contact individual ALRs on the schedule to request information to submit in advance and discuss how to prepare for a site visit.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and attention to this important matter.

I hope you enjoy the remainder of the day,

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Please contact us if you have any questions at, [MassALA@mass-ala.org](mailto:MassALA@mass-ala.org).

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