

Dear Members

Here are two updates that EOEA sent to ALR Executive Directors today. The first memo provides an optional form for use when transferring a resident to the hospital. The second memo provides a poster for use in an ALR to facilitate residents understanding of their rights.

Consistent with Mass-ALA's advocacy, EOEA's ALR Hospital Transfer Form memo states that use of the hospital transfer form is "optional and not mandatory". If you do not currently have a hospital transfer form or are seeking a template to improve or replace your form, this form provides a helpful reference of information EOEA considers important in the transfer process.

EOEA states that it is providing the ALR Resident Rights Poster because the statement of resident rights in the regulations is "technical and complex, potentially hindering full comprehension among ALR Residents". The posting of this poster is optional but encouraged by EOEA. The memo states: "We encourage you to prominently display the attached poster (dimensions 18 x 24) in a **public place within your ALR**, such as the lobby, ensuring it is easily seen and accessible by residents. Additionally, we highly encourage printing the smaller version of the poster (dimensions 8 ½ x 11) and hanging it on the back of each Resident's unit door."

- Hospital Transfer Form Memo
- Hospital Transfer Form
- Resident Rights Poster Memo
- Residents Rights Poster 18 x 24
- Residents Rights Poster 8.5 x 11

Good morning ALR Colleagues,

This email is the <u>first</u> of two that will be sent from the Assisted Living Unit at EOEA this morning. The <u>attached</u> Hospital Transfer form was introduced at the quarterly call with the AL Industry which was held on Wednesday January 24, 2024.

Please send any questions to the ALRHelp@mass.gov email.

Thank you for your time and attention to this initiative.

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Good morning ALR Colleagues,

This is the second of two emails being sent form the Assisted Living Unit this morning following up on introduction of an abridged version of the Assisted Living Resident Rights which was discussed during the January 24, 2024, quarterly call with AL Industry. Please review the attached documents concerning the proposed initiative which we highly recommend for use in your ALR.

Please send any questions to the <u>ALRHelp@mass.gov</u> email.

Thank you for your time and attention to this initiative.

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