



Dear Members,

EOEA issued a helpful guidance yesterday, that shows ALRs how to utilize a free online training to supplement ALR training of personal care staff. The guidance compares the Massachusetts Personal Home Care Aide Training Course (PHCAST) with the training requirements specified in the assisted living regulations. It outlines the training requirements for aides working in ALRs under [651 CMR 12.07\(6\)](#) and provides related details for PHCAST, which has been used since 2011 to train home care aides. In addition to providing information about the levels of PHCAST certification, the EOEA guidance also includes detailed information about how to document the appropriate training has been given to staff that utilize the PHCAST training, as well as links to access the courses.

The full guidance can be accessed [here](#).

If you have any questions, please contact us at Mass-ALA@mass-ala.org

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