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Dear Members,

As we've shared in [previous updates](#), the health services, staffing, and training flexibilities extension for assisted living residences (ALRs) in Massachusetts **will expire on March 31, 2025**. With this date approaching, we want to ensure you are aware of the broader impact of these expirations.

We do not anticipate that the update to the assisted living regulations, based on the [legislation](#) signed into law in September, will be in place by 3/31/25. As a reminder, ALRs that opted to provide health services were **required to notify the Executive Office of Aging & Independence (AGE)** of their intent. AGE will reach out to ALRs that have notified them that they are delivering health services to residents, to instruct on how the ALR can continue to offer these services after 3/31 and remain compliant.

In addition to health services, other emergency provisions will also expire on March 31, 2025, and were **not made permanent** through the legislation, so they will end on that date. The special care staffing flexibility under **651 CMR 12.06(5)(b)** will **end**, meaning that **all Special Care Residences must have at least two staff members present at all times**. Additionally, the **education waiver for ALR staff training requirements (651 CMR 12.07)** will no longer be in effect, requiring communities to ensure full compliance with all training regulations moving forward.

Mass-ALA is actively engaged in ensuring our members receive clear guidance and experience a smooth transition. We will provide updates as soon as we learn more or draft regulations are promulgated.

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*This update is solely for general informational purposes. It is not intended to replace a full review of the cited regulations or guidance.*

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