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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Licensed Assisted Living Providers in Maryland

FROM: Tia Witherspoon
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DATE: April 28, 2025

RE: Notice of Final Action – COMAR 10.07.14 Assisted Living Programs

Please be aware that the Notice of Final Action for COMAR 10.07.14 Assisted Living Programs was published in the Division of State Document's Maryland Register on [April 18, 2025](#). On March 21, 2025, the Acting Secretary of Health repealed existing Regulations .01—.64 and adopted new Regulations .01—.65 under COMAR 10.07.14 Assisted Living Programs. This action, which was proposed for adoption in 52:2 Md. R. 82—119 (January 24, 2025), has been adopted with the nonsubstantive changes. This action is effective April 28, 2025.

As a valued Assisted Living Program (ALP), please be aware of the [Final Publication File COMAR 10.07.14 Proposed Action and Final Action from the April 18, 2025 Maryland Register](#).

OHCO's Assisted Living webpage will serve as a centralized resource for information on stakeholder communication, virtual training sessions, regional in-person training sessions, training materials, how to get a copy of the regulations, and other updated information as we move forward with the roll out.

Your input is valuable. If you have questions **about the regulations**, please submit your questions [here](#) and we will be providing intermittent updates via the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on our website.

The Office of Health Care Quality (OHCO) understands that there are some major key changes included in the new regulations and that the provider community will need some time to conduct

staff training and develop necessary policies and procedures. Over the next 6 months, OHCQ must continue its survey mandates, but will be using discretion with enforcement activities related to the new regulations.

OHCQ sincerely appreciates the many provider and advocacy groups that have contributed during the complex promulgation process that started over ten years ago. Assisted Living Providers (ALPs) are essential to the continuum of care as they provide direct care services to individuals that need assistance with activities of daily living. Quite often, these individuals are Maryland's most vulnerable residents.

In the revision of this chapter, OHCQ frequently returned to our charge in COMAR 10.07.14.01, which states, *"The purpose of this chapter is to set minimum, reasonable standards for licensure of assisted living programs in Maryland. This chapter is intended to maximize independence and promote the principles of individuality, personal dignity, freedom of choice, and fairness for all individuals residing in assisted living programs while establishing reasonable standards to promote individuals' health and safety."*

Please contact ohcq.alregs@maryland.gov if you have further questions. Thank you.