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Message From the National Center for Health Statistics

In September, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) launched its new initiative, the National Study of Long-Term Care Providers (NSLTCP). NSLTCP's purpose is to track trends in the supply and use of five major types of long-term care providers in the U.S.—assisted living and other residential care communities (RCCs), adult day services centers, home health agencies, nursing homes, and hospices. NSLTCP includes a survey of a scientifically selected, random sample of RCCs. Administrators of RCCs are being asked to provide information through a questionnaire. Of the approximately 11,700 RCCs that were asked to participate, about 3,800 RCCs or 32% have responded. NCHS would like to thank those 32% for their participation. The Board urges RCCs that have been invited to participate to respond to the NSLTCP. Every sampled RCC counts and it is not too late to participate. Results are expected to be released late 2013. To learn more about NSLTCP, please visit <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nsltcp.htm>

Administrator-in-Training Program

By: Christina Stuckey, Board Administrator

The Board's regulations under §39.5(b)(3) and §39.5(b)(4) allow candidates with a baccalaureate degree or an acceptable master's degree to complete an Administrator In Training (AIT) program in order to satisfy the required experience. A candidate is required to find a nursing home administrator and a nursing home willing to provide training. The nursing home administrator and the candidate jointly complete the Application for Approval of Administrator In Training Program (available on the Board's website at <http://www.dos.state.pa.us/nursinghome> by clicking on "Board Applications"). Upon the Board's receipt of the completed application, it is reviewed and, if acceptable, is approved. The Board then mails the AIT a Certificate of Approval and the Training Plan at which point experience hours can be obtained. Remember, the Board cannot count hours completed prior to the Board's approval.

It is important to remember that the Board's regulations at §39.103(a) require the completed Training Plan be returned to the Board within 30 days of completion. Upon receipt, the Board will review it and, if approved, will issue a Certificate of Completion and instructions on applying for permission to sit for the examinations.

Note to Supervising Nursing Home Administrators: Section 39.61(c)(4) of the Board's regulations grants supervisors up to 24 clock hours of continuing education credit during the biennium in which the AIT successfully completes the AIT program. Please maintain a copy of the AIT's Certificate of Completion as documentation in the event of a continuing education audit.

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