

National Survey of Residential Care Facilities: A key resource for policymakers



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Previous Efforts

- ▶ National Study of Assisted Living for the Frail Elderly (2000)
- ▶ State Residential Care and Assisted Living Policy Regulatory Review
- ▶ Industry survey – Overview of Assisted Living



Primary Purposes

- 1. Estimate the size of the U.S. industry**
 - Number of facilities and residents
- 2. Determine the characteristics of facilities**
 - Geographic distribution, physical environment, staff, services offered, admission and discharge policies
- 3. Determine the characteristics of residents**
 - Demographics, health status, physical functioning, cognitive impairment, service use, involvement in activities, charges



Health and Functional Status, Available Services

- ▶ Understanding the health and functional status of residents
- ▶ Understanding the services provided to residents.
- ▶ Understanding staffing patterns



Medicaid in Residential Care

- ▶ Understanding of the magnitude Medicaid beneficiaries, and Medicaid participation by facilities
- ▶ Ability to compare Medicaid beneficiaries to other residents
- ▶ Ability to compare the characteristics of facilities serving Medicaid beneficiaries to facilities that do not.



Characteristics of Residential Care

- ▶ Administration effort to ensure community integration and person-centered care
- ▶ Rule-making around Medicaid home and community based services (HCBS)
- ▶ Description of residential care places—facilities serving Medicaid beneficiaries, and non-Medicaid facilities.



Focus on Dual Eligibles

- ▶ HHS effort to address care and quality to duals.
- ▶ For residents over 65 receiving Medicaid, most likely are “Duals”



Alzheimer's Disease and other Dementias

- ▶ Administration efforts to address Alzheimer's and other dementias
- ▶ National Alzheimer's Project Act (NAPA)
Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA)
- ▶ Description of residents (42% of residents)
- ▶ Description of facilities (exclusively memory care, dementia unit, or other dementia-specific characteristics)

