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Agency and Other Leading Experts Provide Joint Training on Regulatory Compliance ~Agency surveyors, nursing home and assisted living facility operators trained side-by-side~

Tallahassee, FL – The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency), LeadingAge Florida, the Florida Health Care Association and the Florida Assisted Living Association have teamed up to provide a training forum in which Agency inspectors, and nursing home and assisted living facility operators will learn side-by-side about the changes occurring in nursing home and assisted living facility regulation. The trainings cover survey requirements and processes, best practices and care planning to ensure quality outcomes of care and improved managed risks.

"We are happy to team up with our industry partners to provide long term care facilities with the necessary tools they need to properly care for residents," said Deputy Secretary of Health Quality Assurance Molly McKinstry. "This training serves as a forum for our inspection staff and facility operators to learn about new program updates, regulatory changes and new developments in long term health care that promote safe, person-centered environments."

Regulatory compliance will serve as the main focus of the training, with topics including a discussion of recent federal program changes for regulatory oversight and Medicaid program compliance, best practices guidelines on the prevention of abuse/neglect and crimes against residents, and provide direction about federal and state reporting requirements.

Other topics that will be covered during the training include:

- Reduction of Anti-Psychotic Drug Use for Residents with Dementia
- Medicaid Managed Care
- Interventions to Reduce Hospitalizations
- Adverse Incidents
- Survey Expectations & Regulatory Updates
- Background Screening.

The trainings will take place in Kissimmee, Tampa, Dania and Tallahassee. Each of the four trainings around Florida has one day focused on nursing home and one day focused on assisted living facility standards.

For more information about the trainings, visit LeadingAge's website at https://m360.fahsa.org/calendar.aspx, the Florida Health Care Association website at http://www.fhca.org/calendar/ or the Florida Assisted Living Association website at http://www.falausa.com/.

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