



# HOUSE BILL 325: Update Svc & Care Plan Req's/ACH Residents.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 325 would allow adult care homes to use the Medicaid personal care services (PCS) assessment to satisfy the required resident assessment of physical functioning for activities of daily living (ADLs) no later than 35 days, and makes various changes to requirements for assisted living administrator certifications.*

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S302, as introduced by Sens. Hise, Bishop, Krawiec, which is currently in Senate Rules and Operations of the Senate.]

**BILL ANALYSIS:** HB 325 would do the following:

- Require that initial resident assessments conducted by facilities be on an assessment instrument approved in accordance with rules adopted by the Medical Care Commission, and would provide that such assessments are no longer required annually.
- Provide an opportunity to allow adult care homes to use the Medicaid PCS assessment in place of conducting a separate assessment of a resident's physical functioning for ADLs no later than 35 days after admission. (Adult care homes would still be required to conduct an assessment of a resident's physical functioning for ADLs within 30 days of admission if a Medicaid PCS assessment has not been developed within 35 days of admission.)
- Require DHHS to certify that an assisted living administrator applicant does not have a substantiated finding of neglect, abuse, misappropriation of property, diversion of drugs, or fraud listed on the Health Care Personnel Registry.
- Allow an applicant with a high school diploma and two years of coursework at an accredited college or university, *or*, 60 months of supervisory experience, qualify for certification under the assisted living administrator certification. Qualification under a combination of education and experience as approved by the Department remains unchanged.
- Make various technical changes.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** HB 325 would become effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** Adult care homes are required to assess the resident's level of functioning within 30 days after admission in order to develop care and service plans. This assessment evaluates the resident's cognitive status and physical functioning for ADLs.

The Medicaid PCS program provides personal care services to qualifying individuals that need assistance in their effort to perform ADLs, which include bathing, dressing, mobility, toileting and eating. An independent entity conducts an assessment to determine a resident's Medicaid PCS eligibility.

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