

AGING INTERNET INFORMATION NOTES empowering users to explore internet resources

Nursing Homes

(See also: <u>Senior Housing Options</u>, <u>Assisted Living</u>, <u>Long Term Care Services in the</u> <u>States</u>, and <u>Long Term Care Insurance</u>)

There are approximately 17,000 nursing homes in the United States caring for over 1.6 million older adults. Until the mid 1980's, nursing homes were one of the few housing options adults with disabilities had to help them manage activities of daily living. As a consequence of new housing options such as assisted living and community and in-home long term care services, the demographic profile of nursing home residents has significantly changed to a population which is older, more disabled and in greater need of medical attention. The following sites include information for the consumer including facility directories, statistics and research articles accessible on-line:

- Consumer Guides
- Fact Sheets Cost and Payment
- <u>Nursing Home Quality</u>
- Issues and Topics Related to Care
- National Directories of Facilities
- <u>State Directories of Facilities and State Reports</u>
- <u>Consumer Advocacy Organizations</u>
- Other Organizations & Web SitesStatistics
- Government Reports and Information Centers
- Nursing Home National and State Associations
- Nursing Home Professional Organizations
- On-Line Journals and Newletters

Consumer Guides

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Nursing Homes Overview

http://www.medicare.gov/Nursing/Overview.asp

Guide to Choosing A Nursing Home

http://www.medicare.gov/publications/pubs/pdf/nhguide.pdf

Nursing Home Checklist

http://www.medicare.gov/Nursing/Checklist.pdf

Alternatives to Nursing Homes

http://www.medicare.gov/Nursing/Alternatives/Other.asp

Nursing Home Membership Organizations

Choosing a Quality Nursing Home

(American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging) http://www.aahsa.org/public/sh.htm

Consumer Information About Long Term Care

(American Health Care Association) http://www.longtermcareliving.com/

Planning Ahead: A Consumer's Guide to Nursing Facilities

http://www.longtermcareliving.com/planning_ahead/nursing/nursing1.htm

Guide for Families

http://www.longtermcareliving.com/family_guide/index.htm

Other Organizations

A Consumer Guide to Choosing a Nursing Home

(National Citizens Coalition for Nursing Home Reform) http://www.nccnhr.org/public/50_156_455.cfm

Helping you Choose Quality Long Term Care

(Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations) <u>http://jcprdw1.jcaho.org/general+public/making+better+choices/helping+you+choose/ltc.</u> <u>htm</u>

Shopping for a Nursing Home

(Consumer Reports) http://www.consumerreports.org/main/detail.jsp?CONTENT%3C%3Ecnt_id=111539&F OLDER%3C%3Efolder_id=21135&bmUID=1008884953407

Choosing and Evaluating A Nursing Home (ElderLawAnswers) http://www.elderlawanswers.com/test2_new.asp?menuitem=Nursing+Home+Issues

How to Choose A Nursing Home

(California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform) http://www.canhr.org/publications/factsheets/fs_howtochoose.htm

Fact Sheets - Cost and Payment Sources

Cost

Met Life 2003 Nursing Home and Home Health Care Cost Survey (Met Life) <u>http://www.metlife.com/Applications/Corporate/WPS/CDA/PageGenerator/0,1674,P250</u> %257ES465,00.html

Nursing Home Costs (2002)[by state] (Insure.com) http://www.insure.com/ltc/nursinghomecosts302.html

2002 Met Life Nursing Home Cost Survey (MetLife) http://www.metlife.com/Applications/Corporate/WPS/CDA/PageGenerator/0,1674,P250 %257ES349,00.html

Nursing home average monthly charges per resident and percent of residents, according to primary source of payments and selected facility characteristics: United States, 1985, 1995, and 1999

(National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Centers for Disease Control) http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/pubs/pubd/hus/tables/2001/01hus124.pdf

Nursing home average monthly charges per resident and percent of residents, according to selected facility and resident characteristics: United States, 1977, 1985, 1995, 1997, and 1999

(National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Centers for Disease Control) http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/pubs/pubd/hus/tables/2001/01hus123.pdf

Payment Options and Length of Stay

How Long Will You Stay in A Nursing Home? (Eldercare Web) http://www.elderweb.com/default.php?Version=1&Font=0&PageID=2770

Paying for Long Term Care (American Health Care Association) http://www.longtermcareliving.com/financial_information/index.htm

Can I Get Help for Nursing Home Costs?

(Idaho Department of Health and Welfare) http://www2.state.id.us/dhw/benefits/nurse_home.htm

Medicaid

Medicaid Eligibility (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Serivces) http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/eligibility/criteria.asp

Nursing Facility Services for Individuals Age 21 and Older (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) http://cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/services/nursfac.asp

Medicaid Institutional Reimbursements For Nursing Facility Services (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) http://cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/services/nfpmts.asp

Estate Recovery Provisions (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/estaterec.asp

2003 SSI FBR, Resource Limits, 300% Cap, Break-Even Points, Spousal Impoverishment Standards (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/eligibility/ssi0103.asp

Long Term Care Insurance

For more information see: Long Term Care Insurance

Nursing Home Quality

Federal Executive Branch Oversight (See <u>Congressional Oversight</u> below))

What are Nursing Home Quality Measures?

Nursing Home Compare (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) http://www.medicare.gov/NHCompare/Search/Related/NHQualityMeasures.asp

About Nursing Home Inspections

Nursing Home Compare (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) http://www.medicare.gov/Nursing/AboutInspections.asp

Nursing Home Quality Initiative

(Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) <u>http://cms.hhs.gov/quality/nhqi/</u>

The Long Term Care Ombudsman Program (National Long Term Care Ombudsman Center) http://www.ltcombudsman.org/ombpublic/49_151_3349.cfm

State Ombudsman Data: Nursing Home Complaints (July 2003)

(US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General) <u>http://oig.hhs.gov/oei/reports/oei-09-02-00160.pdf</u>

Training Curriculum Manual for Long Term Care Ombudsman Programs

(National Long Term Care Ombudsman Resource Center) http://www.ltcombudsman.org//uploads/NHOIombCurriculum1202.pdf

Initial and Supplemental Training Modules for Ombudsman

(I Care) http://www.icare.ws/modules/index.htm

Nursing Home Quality Revisited: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly Hearing Testimony (July 2003)

(U.S. Senate Finance Committee) http://finance.senate.gov/sitepages/hearing071703.htm

Nursing Home Deficiency Trends and Survey and Certification Process Consistency (March 2003)

(US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General) http://oig.hhs.gov/oei/reports/oei-02-01-00600.pdf

Other Organizations on Quality of Care Policies

Quality of Care for Elderly Residents In Nursing Homes and Elderly People Living at Home: Controlled Observational Study (March 2003) (BMJ Publishing) http://bmj.com/cgi/content/full/326/7389/580

How Good Are Your State's Nursing Homes (July 2003)

(Consumers Union) http://www.consumersunion.org/pdf/nursing-603.pdf

Nursing Facilities News

(National Senior Citizens Law Center) http://www.nsclc.org/issues_health_nf.htm

Termination and Closure of Poor Quality Nursing Homes: What Are the Options (2002) (Public Policy Institute, AARP) http://research.aarp.org/il/2002_05_homes_1.html

Appropriateness of Minimum Nurse Staffing Ratios in Nursing Homes - Overview of the Phase II Report: Backgroun1d, Study Approach, Findings, and Conclusions (2001) (National Citizen's Coaltion for Nursing Home Reform) http://nccnhr.newc.com//uploads/ChapterOne.pdf

Developing Qualify Indicators for End-of-Life Care in Nursing Homes (2000) (Last Acts)

http://www.lastacts.org/files/misc/QIBRIEF.pdf

Promoting Quality in Nursing Homes: The Wellspring Model. Susan Reinhard and Robyn Stone, January 2001

(The Commonwealth Fund) http://www.cmwf.org/programs/elders/reinhard_wellspring_432.pdf

Policy Considerations for Nursing Home Quality Improvement (2001) (Harvard Health Policy Review) http://www.hcs.harvard.edu/~epihc/currentissue/spring2001/leonard.html

When You Can't Go Home Again: Using Consumer Law to Protect Nursing Home Residents (2000)

(National Consumer Law Center) http://www.consumerlaw.org/initiatives/seniors_initiative/when_gohome.shtml

Government Policy and the Cost and Quality of Nursing Homes (1996) (Center for the Study of Aging, RAND) http://www.rand.org/publications/RB/RB5012/

Issues and Topics Related to Care

Cameras in Nursing Homes

(Florida Agency for Health Care Administration) http://www.fdhc.state.fl.us/cinh/index.shtml

Screening for Mental Illness in Nursing Facility Applicants: Understanding Federal Requirements (National Montal Health Information Contar)

(National Mental Health Information Center) http://www.mentalhealth.org/publications/allpubs/SMA01-3543/default.asp

Psychosocial Services in Skilled Nursing Facilities (March 2003)

(US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General) http://oig.hhs.gov/oei/reports/oei-02-01-00610.pdf

Nursing Home Performance Measures

(National Forum for Health Care Quality Measurement and Reporting) http://www.qualityforum.org/nursing_home_report.html

Malnutrition and Dehydration in Nursing Homes: Key Issues in Prevention and Treatment. July 2000 (The Commonwealth Fund) http://www.cmwf.org/programs/elders/burger_mal_386.pdf

Results of the 2002 American Health Care Association Survey of Nursing Staff Vacancy and Turnover in Nursing Homes

(American Health Care Association) http://www.ahca.org/research/rpt_vts2002_final.pdf

Appropriateness of Minimum Nurse Staffing Ratios in Nursing Homes - Overview of the Phase II Report: Backgroun1d, Study Approach, Findings, and Conclusions (National Citizen's Coaltion for Nursing Home Reform) http://nccnhr.newc.com//uploads/ChapterOne.pdf

Nursing Home Quality: Better Care Through Better Staffing? (Alliance for Health Reform) http://www.allhealth.org/event_120902.asp

Use Of Physical Restraints And Psychotropic Medications In Alzheimer Special Care Units In Nursing Homes (American Journal of Public Health) http://www.ajph.org/cgi/content/abstract/90/1/92

Restraint Use

(National Citizens Coalition for Nursing Home Report) http://www.nccnhr.org/public/50_156_451.cfm

Technical Assistance to Resident Councils

(Coalition of Institutionalized Aged and Disabled) http://www.ciadny.org/

Report Examines Heartbreak of Theft in Nursing Homes

(American Society on Aging) http://www.asaging.org/at/at-202/theft.html

National Directories of Facilities

Nursing Home Compare (Health Care Financing Administration) http://www.medicare.gov/NHCompare/home.asp

Veterans Facilities Locator (Veterans Affairs) http://www.va.gov/sta/guide/division.asp?divisionId=1

Overview of America's Veterans Homes (Veterans Homes Foundation) http://www.vethomesfoundation.org/homes_system.htm

Roster of State Veterans Homes

(Veterans Homes Foundation) http://www.vethomesfoundation.org/homes_stateroster.htm

Roster of National Veterans Homes

(Veterans Homes Foundation) http://www.vethomesfoundation.org/homes_nationalroster.cfm

Nursing Home Survey Report – Facilities on Reservations and Native Alaskan Communities (Indian Health Service) <u>http://www.ihs.gov/publicinfo/publicaffairs/pressreleases/press%5Frelease%5F2002/final</u> %5Fltc%5Freport%5Fpart%5Fiii.pdf

Accredited Continuing Care Retirement Communities

(Continuing Care Accreditation Commission) http://www.ccaconline.org/list.htm

Americana National Nursing Home Listing (Commercial) (Americana) http://www.annhl.com/states.htm

LTC-Resources.Com (Commercial)

http://www.ltc-resources.com/

Nursing Home Chains

(Managed Care Digest) http://www.managedcaredigest.com/edigests/is2001/is2001c03s02g01o02.shtml

State Directories of Facilities and State Reports

Alabama

Nursing Home Provider Directory (Alabama Department of Public Health) http://www.adph.org/providers/nursing-homes.pdf

Rules for Nursing Facilities (Alabama Department of Public Health) http://www.adph.org/providers/nursinghomerules.pdf

Alaska

Alaska Nursing Homes [scroll down to table] (Alaska Division of Medical Assistance) http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dhcs/PDF/hflc_facility_list.pdf

Nursing Home Information

(Alaska Health Facilities Licensing and Certification)

http://health.hss.state.ak.us/dhcs/HFLC/hflc_nursing_home.htm

Arizona

Arizona Nursing Homes Search Page

(Arizona Department of Health Services) http://pub.hs.state.az.us/datasvcs/als/main/searchform.cfm?GroupID=LTC

Office of Long Term Care Licensing (Arizona Department of Health) http://www.hs.state.az.us/als/ltc/index.htm

Arkansas

Find A Facility (Arkansas Office of Long Term Care) <u>http://www.medicaid.state.ar.us/general/units/oltc/findafacility/findafacility.htm</u>

Services for Nursing Home Residents (Arkansas Department of Human Services) http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/sgNH.html

California

Nursing Home Guide

(California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform) http://nursinghomeguide.org/ccis_guide/ccis_guide_city.lasso

Search for a Licensed Facility (California Community Care Licensing Division) http://ccld.ca.gov/docs/search/search.asp

Nursing Home Residents Rights (California Licensing and Certification Program) http://www.dhs.ca.gov/lnc/nhrights/default.htm

The Need for Increased Staffing Levels in California's Nursing Facilities (National Senior Citizens Law Center) <u>http://www.nsclc.org/2001postings/pdf/nhstaffingrept.pdf</u>

Colorado

Colorado Nursing Homes (Colorado Department of Health) http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hf/static/ncf.htm

Colorado Swing Bed Facilities

(Department of Public Health and Environment) http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hf/static/swing.htm

Connecticut

Health Care Facility Agency Information for Consumers (Connecticut Department of Public Health) http://www.dph.state.ct.us/BHCS/NursingHomes/nurse_info.htm

Alphabetical Data File of Nursing Homes (Department of Public Health)

http://www.dph.state.ct.us/licensure/lf nhbook.pdf

Medication Administration in Nursing Homes

(Office of Legislative Research, State of Connecticut) http://www.cga.state.ct.us/2000/rpt/olr/htm/2000-r-0705.htm

Spend-Down Patterns of Individuals Admitted to Nursing Homes in Connecticut (Connecticut Office of Policy and Management)

http://www.opm.state.ct.us/pdpd4/ltc/researcher/spendown.htm

Nursing Home Staffing (Office of Legislative Research, State of Connecticut) http://www.cga.state.ct.us/2000/rpt/olr/htm/2000-r-1006.htm

Dental Services in Nursing Homes

(Office of Legislative Research, State of Connecticut) http://www.cga.state.ct.us/2000/rpt/olr/htm/2000-r-0803.htm

Licensure Application Form

(Department of Public Health) http://www.dph.state.ct.us/Licensure/apps/NursingHomeAp.pdf

Delaware

Directory of Nursing Homes in Delaware (Division of Services for Age and Adults with Physical Disabilities) <u>http://www.dsaapd.com/nursing.htm</u>

Division of Long Term Care Resident's Protection

(Delaware Department of Health and Social Services) http://www.state.de.us/dhss/dltc/dltchome.htm

Florida

Facility Locator (Florida Agency for Health Care Administration) http://www.fdhc.state.fl.us/Consumer_Resources/index.shtml

Florida Nursing Home Watch List

(Florida Agency for Health Care Administration) http://www.fdhc.state.fl.us/Nursing_Home_Guide/index.shtml

Florida Nursing Home Guide

(Florida Agency for Health Care Administration) http://www.fdhc.state.fl.us/nhcguide/guide_intro.cfm

Florida Nursing Home Resident Data 2001 Report

(Florida Agency for Health Care Administration) http://www.openminds.com/IndustryResources/flnurse.htm

Georgia

Facility Locator and Information Guide

(Georgia Department of Human Resources) http://www.ors.dhr.state.ga.us/

Long Term Care: Intermediate Care Nursing Homes

(Office of Regulatory Services, Georgia Department of Human Resources) http://www2.state.ga.us/Departments/DHR/ORS/ltcic.htm

Long Term Care: Skilled Nursing Homes

(Office of Regulatory Services, Georgia Department of Human Resources) <u>http://www2.state.ga.us/departments/dhr/ors/ltcsn.htm</u>

Hawaii

Skilled Nursing/Intermediate Care Facilities

(Hawaii Office of Health Care Assurance) http://www.state.hi.us/doh/resource/ohca/medicare/nursing/directory-snficf.html

Illinois

Nursing Homes in Illinois (Illinois Department of Public Health) http://www.idph.state.il.us/healthca/nursinghometestjava.htm

Idaho

Long Term Care Facilities (Idaho Bureau of Facility Standards) http://www2.state.id.us/dhw/FacilStandards/ltc/ltc_index.htm

Indiana

Long Term Care Facility Directory (Indiana State Department of Health) http://www.in.gov/isdh/regsvcs/ltc/directory/index.htm

Indiana Nursing Home Report Cards

(Indiana State Department of Health) http://www.state.in.us/isdh/regsvcs/ltc/repcard/rptcrd1.htm

How to Report a Complaint Regarding the Care of a Friend or Family Member at a Nursing Home Facility in Indiana

(Indiana State Department of Health) http://www.in.gov/isdh/regsvcs/ltc/complaints/index.htm

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Nursing Facilities Directory Search

(Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals) http://www.dia-hfd.state.ia.us/facilities/facsrch.asp?id=14

Facility Report Card Search

(Iowa Division of Health Facilities) http://www.dia-hfd.state.ia.us/reportcards/default.asp

Kansas [note: regulation of nursing homes now in Department of Aging]

Directory of Kansas Residential Care Facilities (Kansas Bureau of Health Facilities) http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us/bhfr/fac_list/rhcf.pdf

Kentucky

Kentucky Division of Long Term Care

http://chs.ky.gov/oig/longtermcare/

Resident Rights

(Kentucky Division of Long Term Care) http://chs.ky.gov/oig/longtermcare/resident_rights.htm

Louisiana

Nursing Home Menu

(Louisiana Health Standards Section, Department of Health and Hospitals) http://www.dhh.state.la.us/HSS/nh_links.htm

Maryland

Maryland Nursing Home Performance Guide (Maryland Health Care Commission) http://www.mhcc.state.md.us/nhguide

Massachusetts

Nursing Home Information for Consumers (Massachusetts Division of Health Care Quality) http://www.state.ma.us/dph/qtool/qthome.htm

Michigan

Statewide Search for Nursing Homes (Michigan Consumer and Industry Services) http://www.cis.state.mi.us/bhs_car/sr_car.asp

Planning Tools for Assisting Individuals To Transition from Nursing Homes to

Community Living (Michigan Disabilities Rights Commission) http://www.copower.org/pas/nursinghometransition.php

Minnesota

Search Engine for Minnesota Licensed Health Care Providers

(Minnesota Department of Health) http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/directory/providerselect.cfm

Minnesota Case Review Mix Program for Nursing Homes

(Minnesota Department of Health) http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/cms/casemix.html

Mississippi

Directory of Mississippi Health Care Facilities (Mississippi Department of Public Health) http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/index.cfm/11,451,83,32,pdf/july02dir%2Epdf

2001 Report on Institutions for the Aged or Infirm (Mississippi Department of Public Health) http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/index.cfm/11,663,83,32,pdf

Missouri

Nursing Home Directory (Missouri Department of Health) http://www.health.state.mo.us/ResourceMaterial/NursingHomeDirectory.html

Division of Senior Services and Regulation Inspection Responsibilities (Missouri Senior Services and Regulation) http://www.health.state.mo.us/Senior_Services/ip.htm

Choosing a Long Term Care Facility) (Missouri Department of Health) http://www.health.state.mo.us/Senior_Services/guide00/ltcfs/choose.htm

Montana

Skilled Nursing Services and Nursing Homes (Montana Senior and Long Term Care Division) http://www.dphhs.state.mt.us/sltc/housing/07.02.skilled.nursing.services.htm

Nebraska

Long Term Care Facilities

(Nebraska Health and Human Services) http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/crl/ltc/ltc.htm

Long Term Care Roster

(Nebraska Health and Human Services) http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/crl/LTCRoster.pdf

Nevada

Consumer Information About Nursing Homes in Southern Nevada (Nevada State Health Division) http://health2k.state.nv.us/BLC/Southern Homes.pdf

Consumer Information About Nursing Homes in Northern Nevada (Nevada State Health Division) <u>http://health2k.state.nv.us/BLC/northernnevada.pdf</u>

New Hampshire

Bureau of Health Facilities Regulation (New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services) http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/DHHS/BHFA/default.htm

New Jersey

New Jersey Report Card for Seniors

(New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services) http://www.state.nj.us/health/ltc/hcfa/index.html http://www.state.nj.us/health/ltc/cgi/reportcard.htm

Search for Facilities

(New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services) http://www.state.nj.us/health/ltc/cgi/facilitysearch.htm

New Jersey Nursing Home Oversight Program

(New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services) http://www.state.nj.us/health/ltc/penalty/index.html

New Mexico

Health Facility Licensing and Certification

(New Mexico Department of Health) http://www.health.state.nm.us/hflc/index.html

New York

Nursing Home Information

(New York State Department of Health) http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/nursing/main.htm

Finding a Nursing Home in New York State

(New York State Department of Health) http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/hlthcare/hlthcare.htm http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/nursing/findnh.pdf

North Carolina

Nursing Facilities Licensed by the State of North Carolina (Division of Facility Services) By Name: <u>http://facility-services.state.nc.us/nhlist_a.pdf</u> By County: <u>http://facility-services.state.nc.us/nhlist_c.pdf</u>

Licensure and Certification Section

(North Carolina Division of Facility Services) http://www.health.state.nm.us/ltsd/comgap.html

North Dakota

North Dakota Nursing Homes

(North Dakota Division of Health Facilities) http://www.health.state.nd.us/hf/North_Dakota_Skilled_Nursing_Homes.htm

Ohio

Long Term Care Facility Search (Ohio Department of Aging) http://www4.state.oh.us/longtermcareguide/Consumer/search2.asp

Oklahoma

Nursing Homes by County (Oklahoma Department of Health) http://www.health.state.ok.us/program/condiv/hrsd/okdir~1.asp?pageID=2&sort=1

Nursing and Specialized Facility Licensure (Oklahoma Department of Health) http://www.health.state.ok.us/program/condiv/nurs.html

Oregon

Nursing Facilities – Licenses, Permits and Registrations (Oregon Division of Seniors and People with Disabilities) http://egprodcf.iservices.state.or.us/prod/lic/index.cfm?fuseaction=detail&link_itemid=14 219&link_tx=1

Pennsylvania

Nursing Home Facility Locator (Pennsylvania Department of Health) http://ecapps.health.state.pa.us/commonPOC/nhlocatorie.asp

Long Term Care in Pennsylvania

(Pennsylvania Departments of Aging, Health and Public Welfare) <u>http://www.longtermcare.state.pa.us/</u>

Nursing Home – Home Page

(Pennsylvania Department of Health) http://www.dsf.health.state.pa.us/health/cwp/view.asp?a=188&Q=200700

Nurse Aid Registry on Line (Pennsylvania) (Pennsylvania Department on Health) http://www.health.state.pa.us/qa/ltc/na-registry.htm?

Rhode Island

Survey Performance Tool For Rhode Island Nursing Homes (Rhode Island Department of Health) http://www.healthri.org/hsr/facilities/nursinghomes/survey.htm

Nursing Home Information for Consumers

(Rhode Island Division of Facilities Regulation) http://www.health.state.ri.us/hsr/facilities/nursinghomes/nhcoms.htm

South Carolina

Nursing Home Directory

(South Carolina Department Of Health & Environmental Control) http://www.scdhec.net/health_Reg/pdfs/licen/licfac/hrnh.pdf

Division of Certification Complain Form

(South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) http://www.scdhec.net/hr/cert/hrcomp.htm

South Dakota

Office of Licensure and Certification

(South Dakota Department of Health) http://www.state.sd.us/doh/Facility/

Tennessee

Health Care Facility Directory

(Department of Health) http://www2.state.tn.us/health/HCF/Facilities_Listings/facilities.asp

Filing Complaints

(Tennessee Department of Health) http://www2.state.tn.us/health/HCF/complaints.htm

Texas

Nursing Home Consumer Information (Texas Department of Human Services) http://www.dhs.state.tx.us/nhconsumer.html

Long Term Care Reporting System Department of Human Services <u>http://facilityquality.dhs.state.tx.us/ltcqrs_public/nq1/jsp3/qrsHome1en.jsp?MODE=P&L</u> <u>ANGCD=en</u>

Utah

Facility/Provider Report Care (Bureau of Medicare./Medicaid Programs) http://health.utah.gov/pcra/reportcard.htm

Directory of Nursing Care Facilities

(Utah Department of Health) http://health.utah.gov/licensing/NCF.htm

On-Line Complaint Process

(Utah Department of Health, Bureau of Licensing) http://health.utah.gov/licensing/complaint_info.htm

Vermont

Nursing Home Information

(Department of Aging and Disabilities http://www.dad.state.vt.us/ltcinfo/Page3.html

Virginia

Long Term Care Division

(Virginia Center for Quality Health Care and Consumer Protection) http://www.vdh.state.va.us/quality/Long Term Care/default.htm

Washington

Directory of Nursing Homes

(Washington Department of Social and Health Services) http://www.aasa.dshs.wa.gov/Professional/NFDir/directory.asp

Nursing Home Resident's Rights in Washington State

(Washington Department of Social and Health Services) http://www.aasa.dshs.wa.gov/library/nursing_home_residents.htm

West Virginia

Facility Search

(West Virginia Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification) <u>http://www.wvdhhr.org/ohflac/FacilityLookup/FacInfoLookupSpecific.asp?FACTYPE=0</u> <u>2&UserRequested=Long+Term+Care+-+All+types</u>

Nursing Home Program

(West Virginia Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification) http://www.wvdhhr.org/ohflac/NursingHome/default.htm

Comparing Nursing Homes in West Virginia (West Virginia Medical Institute) http://www.wvmi.org/Find_WV_Nursing_Homes.htm

The Nursing Home Quality Initiative

(West Virginia Medical Institute) http://www.qiwv.org/MedicareNursingHomes.asp

Wisconsin

Wisconsin Nursing Homes

(Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services) http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/bgaconsumer/NursingHomes/NHindex.htm

Nursing Home White Paper: Nursing Homes and Public Policy

(Wisconsin Board on Aging and Public Policy) http://longtermcare.state.wi.us/home/Publications new address/NHs Public Policy7.03.pdf

Choosing a Nursing Home

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