









# Assisted Living Licensure in MN

*SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES  
LAUNCHING AUGUST 1ST, 2021*





## Facilities Prohibited From

-  **Retaliation**
-  **Deceptive marketing**
-  **Discrimination based on source of payment**

## Resident's Rights

-  **Clarifies right to in-room camera or other device**
-  **Ongoing assessments of service needs**
-  **24hr access to on call RN**

## Facility Requirements

-  **Licensure for facility, administrators, & Home Care Providers**
-  **Minimum health, safety, & comfort standards**
-  **Single service contract, directly accountable to resident**
-  **24hr awake staff. No exceptions**

## Legislative Changes

The Assisted Living Licensure law under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144G was passed by the 2019 Minnesota Legislature. The law establishes regulatory standards for housing and services for assisted living facilities, and assisted living facilities with dementia care. The goal is to ensure the health, safety, well-being, and appropriate treatment of residents. The Minnesota Dept. of Health commissioner can now adopt rules for all assisted living facilities to promote person-centered care, ensure resident rights are protected, resident choice is allowed, and public health and safety is ensured.

## More Information

Alongside our allies we fought to ensure the law - and robust rules for standards and enforcement- were passed.

You can find complete info on legislative changes on the Minnesota Department of Health website at [www.health.state.mn.us/assistedliving](http://www.health.state.mn.us/assistedliving) or contact us via our website, [www.eldervoicefamilyadvocates.org](http://www.eldervoicefamilyadvocates.org).

## Continued Advocacy

We are thrilled to have achieved this landmark legislation and we know diligent enforcement will be needed to ensure quality, accountable care for our loved ones in assisted living.

We invite you to support and join our work by heading to our website, [www.eldervoicefamilyadvocates.org](http://www.eldervoicefamilyadvocates.org). There you can also learn more about reporting instances of abuse and keep an eye out for additional information and educational events focused on these critical changes.



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# elder voice

FAMILY ADVOCATES

## Our Mission

To stop abuse, neglect and exploitation of elder and vulnerable adults by educating the public, policy makers, industry and others about maltreatment happening in long-term care facilities and the need to have effective laws, policy and enforcement.



## Supportive Advocacy **\$12,000 Goal**

We seek to support a number of bills in the next legislative session. As the MN Dept. of Health plans for next year, we want to continue supporting issues like pay increases for facility staff, increases in government payments for elderly waiver residents, & programs for marginalized communities.

## Defensive Advocacy **\$25,000 Goal**

Fights attempts to pass blanket legal immunity to long-term care providers, reverse licensure laws & other harmful regulation. This requires fact-finding and education of harmful impacts to elders and vulnerable adults for legislators, regulators, and other supportive advocates.

## Proactive Advocacy **\$45,000 Goal**

Promote legislation focused on minimum staffing levels, training requirements, stronger electronic monitoring protections, increased funding for MN Dept. of Health to enforce licensure, increased penalties for violations, & more.



## Join Today

As the only independent advocacy group defending and protecting elders and vulnerable adults living in long-term care in MN, we rely on funding from supporters like you. Historically, grantmakers fund little legislative advocacy and we cannot rely on lobbying support from other groups. We invite you to join us in this critical work by sharing your story or donating today!



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