ACTION REQUIRED

Assembly Bill 1899 (Brown), Chapter 700, Statutes of 2014

This law becomes effective January 1, 2015.

Affects: Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly

Subject: Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly

Summary: Assembly Bill (AB) 1899 amends Health and Safety Code sections

1569.19 and 1569.50.

OVERVIEW

AB 1899 does the following:

- States that a licensee who abandons a facility and residents in care, in addition to forfeiture and revocation of license, shall be excluded from licensure in facilities licensed by the department without the right to petition for reinstatement.
- Incorporates changes to section 1569.682 of the Health and Safety Code as specified in <u>Senate Bill (SB) 873</u>.

IMPLEMENTATION

<u>Licensing Program Analysts and Staff Services Analysts</u>

The Licensing Program Analyst or Staff Services Analyst that is reviewing the application will deny an application for licensure if it is found that the applicant was a former licensee whose license was revoked for abandoning a facility and residents in care, resulting in immediate and substantial threat to the abandoned residents' health and safety, as well as deny any petition for reinstatement from the applicant. The Licensing Program Analyst or Staff Services Analyst shall refer to Health and Safety Code section 1569.50(c).

Management/Program Office Staff

All petitions for reinstatement by licensees who abandoned residents shall also be denied without review and the denial letter shall refer to section 1569.50 of the Health and Safety Code.

Revisions will be made to Regulation Interpretations and Procedures for Denial of License Application, Section 87163 and Reference Material Preliminary Approval, Section 03-0963 of the Evaluator Manual.

For legislative information related to this law, see: Bill Text - AB 1899

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