DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Assisted Living Residences

DC’s statutes are limited to assisted living residences, and prescribe training requirements for all staff and for the assisted living administrator (ALA). The statutes require that after their first year working in assisted living residences, all staff must annually complete 12 hours of training including four (4) hours of training covering cognitive impairments like dementia/Alzheimer’s. In addition, an ALA must complete the basic training required and an additional 12 hours of training annually, conducted by an organization with expertise in Alzheimer’s/dementia care.

Nurse Aides

DC has one relevant regulation providing that, in order to have direct contact with patients, nurse aides must have 16 hours of training including training in dementia/Alzheimer’s care.

Medicaid Waiver

DC’s Medicaid waiver covers costs in an assisted living.