

STATE OF WASHINGTON **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

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ALTSA NH #2016-035 S&C: 16-42-NH NOTIFICATION OF FINAL RULE PUBLISHED REFORM OF REQUIREMENTS FOR LONG-TERM CARE (LTC) FACILITIES

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has published in the Federal Register the notice of the final rule *Reform of Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities*. The regulation goes into effect on November 28, 2016.

The Final Rule can be located at: Federal Registry-Final Rule

Additional information and the S&C memo can be found at: S&C 16-42-NH.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of nursing home residents. If you have any questions, please contact your local RCS Field Manager.

Sincerely,

Candace Goehring, Director Residential Care Services

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