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Subject: Special Needs Assisted Living
Residence Voucher Program
Applications and Cost of Care
Survey

Dear Adult Care Facility Administrator:

The purpose of this letter is to inform Operators and Administrators of Certified Special Needs Assisted Living Residence units of the Department's intent to conduct a Special Needs Assisted Living Residence Voucher Program SFY 2025 Cost of Care Survey.

Section 461-l of the Social Services Law established the Special Needs Assisted Living Resident Voucher Program for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and/or dementia living in a Special Needs Assisted Living Residence (SNALR). In this program, the State will subsidize the cost of a SNALR for those individuals that are not Medicaid eligible, living with Alzheimer's disease and/or dementias, who are unable to pay the full private pay rate and would otherwise likely be discharged to a skilled nursing facility.

In order to update the parameters of the program, we are asking that your SNALR Voucher Program point of contact take a few minutes to complete the SFY 2025 Cost of Care Survey. Your participation will assist the Department to establish the most current benchmarks, evaluate the Program, determine appropriate levels of payment, as well as update our data on the average regional costs of care.

To complete the survey, you must click the link on the bottom of this email. For each question, please use the most recent data as of **March 31, 2024**. For facilities with multiple locations, please complete one survey per facility location. We have attached a PDF copy of the survey for reference only.

Please complete the survey by **Friday, July 19, 2024**. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please email ALTCteam@health.ny.gov. Please click this link to complete the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HZD9FW9>. The New York State Department of Health thanks you in advance for your participation and cooperation with this activity.

Sincerely,

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