

## CMS DISTRIBUTES FREE “HAND IN HAND” TOOLKIT TO NURSING FACILITIES

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will soon be distributing a free toolkit to nursing facilities, CMS Regional Offices, and State Survey Agencies. Hand in Hand is a high quality training series for nursing homes that emphasizes person-centered care for persons with dementia, as well as the prevention of abuse. Section 6121 of the Affordable Care Act requires CMS to ensure that nurse aides receive regular training on caring for residents with dementia and on preventing abuse. Hand in Hand addresses the annual requirement for nurse aide training on these important topics.

More information is available on the Hand in Hand [website](#).

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