

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1701

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety;
8 requiring certain training; providing for certain
9 deadlines; directing the State Department of Health
10 to establish a system for the certification of
11 certain individuals; permitting certain fine;
12 providing for codification; and providing an
13 effective date.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-879.5 of Title 63, unless
17 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. All direct care staff who are employed by a licensed nursing
19 facility, residential care home, adult day care center, assisted
20 living center, continuum of care facility, hospice, or home care
21 agency shall be required to complete at least four (4) hours of in-
22 service training annually in the care of individuals with
23 Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

24 B. Training for direct care staff who were hired on or before
November 1, 2010, shall be completed on or before January 1, 2012,

1 and annually thereafter. Training for direct care staff who are
2 hired after November 1, 2010, shall be completed within twelve (12)
3 months from their date of employment and annually thereafter.

4 C. The State Department of Health shall establish a system for
5 the certification of individuals to provide training pursuant to
6 subsection A of this section. Such individuals shall, at a minimum,
7 have:

8 1. No less than one (1) year of continuous employment in the
9 direct care of persons with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of
10 dementia; and

11 2. Training in the care of individuals with Alzheimer's disease
12 and other forms of dementia by a national association that advocates
13 for issues related to Alzheimer's disease.

14 D. The State Department of Health may fine entities specified
15 in subsection A of this section in an amount not to exceed One
16 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per person per any thirty-day period
17 during which a direct care staff person is in violation of the
18 provisions of this act.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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