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Colorado Department
of Public Health
and Environment

Colorado Council on Assisted Living

Background: In compliance with 25-27-110, C.R.S., the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment established an advisory committee, The Colorado Council on Assisted Living, to make recommendations concerning assisted living residence rules, implementation of the assisted living residence licensing program, impact of the program and effectiveness of enforcement. Members are representatives from assisted living residences, The Colorado Commission on Aging, local health departments, local boards of health, consumer and other agencies and organizations providing services to or concerned with residents of assisted living residences. The committee must consist of a minimum of nine members, which are appointed by the executive director of the department. The committee shall elect its own chairperson.

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Colorado Commission on Aging Representative

Linda Buendorf
Director of Senior Services
Myron Stratton Home

Consumer Representatives

Shannon Gimbel
Ombudsman Program Manager
Denver Regional Council of Governments

Amelia Schafer
Director of Professional Education
Alzheimer's Association

Local Public Health Department Representative

Pamela Kay Stephens
Regional Emergency Planner
Jefferson County Public Health Department

Assisted Living Residence Representatives

Julie Lee
Assisted Living Administrator
Good Samaritan Society – Estes Park Village

Michaëlle Smith
Vice President of Client Services/Senior Life Options
Hilltop Community Resources

Assisted Living Industry Representatives

Ann Kokish
Associate Director of Long Term Care Services
Colorado Health Care Association

Laura Landwirth
President and Chief Executive Officer
LeadingAge Colorado

Sheryl Thompson (Representing Colorado Assisted Living Association)
President and CEO
Assured Assisted Living

Medicaid State Agency Representative

Heidi Walling
Quality Compliance Specialist, Long Term Services and Supports
Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

Single Entry Point Representative

Jun Murai
Supervisor, Colorado Access
Access Longterm Care Support Solutions