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Summary of Residents' Rights Law

MLCRA initiated and advocated for the passage of a Continuing Care Retirement Community “residents rights” law that went into effect in Massachusetts in 2013. It is an amendment to a previous law about CCRCs. The amendment gives CCRC residents the right to establish a Residents’ Association and to receive information about the organization, operation and finances of their communities.

Residents have the right to receive, “upon request,” a current disclosure statement that includes a financial statement as well as information about the legal status (e.g., for profit or non-profit corporation) and organization of the facility. Residents may request information and submit comments on issues that affect their health and welfare. They may also receive, “upon request,” information concerning major construction, expansion or renovation of their facility.

Acts of 2012, Chapter 419. An Act relative to residents of continuing care retirement communities.

<https://malegislature.gov/Laws/SessionLaws/Acts/2012/Chapter419>

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 93, Section 76

This is the full text of the law about Continuing Care Retirement Communities. The residents’ rights amendment (above) is incorporated into this. Most of the amendment is at the end in subsections (f) and (g). Subsection (b) lists the information that must be included in the disclosure statement provided to prospective and current residents.

Full text of MGL chapter 93, section 76

<https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXV/Chapter93/Section76>