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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Executive Directors

FROM: Lyn Bentley, MSW
Director of Regulatory Services

SUBJECT: Template Poster for Facility Use re: EJA Requirements

DATE: August 2, 2011

AHCA has prepared a template poster for members to use in order to meet the posting requirements contained in the Elder Justice Act (EJA). This template has been reviewed by Reed Smith, LLP, AHCA's General Counsel, to ensure that legally required provisions are included in the template. The template has **not** been approved by CMS or any other federal/state agency or law enforcement office.

This poster is provided to assist facilities respond to the new EJA requirements and CMS guidance to: (1) post a notice related to responsibilities of employees and other covered individuals to report the suspicion of a crime; and (2) the right an employee and other covered individuals have to file a complaint if they believe they have been retaliated against for reporting the suspicion of a crime.

Facilities will need to insert facility-specific information, such as facility name and the telephone numbers for the State Survey Agency and local law enforcement to report the suspicion of a crime. As well, facilities must enter the State Survey Agency telephone number for an employee to file a complaint because the employee believes he/she has been retaliated against for reporting the suspicion of a crime.

To access and download the template go to:
<http://www.ahcancal.org/advocacy/HCRDocuments/11%20Crime%20Reporting%20Poster%20EJA%20final%20final.doc>.

If you have questions, please contact me at lbentley@ahca.org.