



# National Study of Long-Term Care Providers

The **National Study of Long-Term Care Providers (NSLTCP)** is a new integrated initiative sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) to study the major providers of long-term care.

The NSLTCP major goals are to:

- Estimate the U.S. national supply of residential care communities and other types of paid regulated long-term care providers;
- Estimate key policy-relevant characteristics and practices of these long-term care providers;
- Estimate the national use of these providers;
- Estimate key policy-relevant characteristics of these users;
- Within the above goals, provide estimates for as many states as feasible within the NCHS' confidentiality and reliability standards; and
- Compare within and between different types of long-term care providers at a similar point in time as well as over time.

NCHS plans to field the assisted living/residential care component of this new study for the first time starting in September 2012. NCHS seeks to collect information from directors of a nationally representative sample of assisted living/residential care communities using a questionnaire that will take on average 30 minutes to complete.

A key NSLTCP product will be an overview report on the supply and use of the major types of paid, regulated long-term care providers in the United States. This overview report will include national and state-level information on: assisted living/residential care communities, nursing homes, home health care agencies, adult day services centers, and hospices. NCHS currently plans to release this report in late 2013, using a combination of survey data and administrative data.

## To learn more about NSLTCP:

Visit <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nsltcp.htm>

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