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## **Helpful Links**

### **ACL News & Information**

Here is a link to news & information from the Administration for Community Living (ACL):

<https://acl.gov/>

### **ADvancing States (NASUAD) Information**

Here is a link to state technical assistance from ADvancing States:

<http://www.advancingstates.org/state-technical-assistance/enhancedtechnical-assistance>

## **2023 Best Practices Awards: Advancing Innovation in Aging Programs**

*Charlotte Arbogast, MS, Senior Policy Analyst*

**June 27, 2023**

**1:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

The Commonwealth Council on Aging, Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and the Virginia Association of Area Agencies on Aging cordially invite you to join us as we celebrate the Council's **2023 Best Practices Award Winners!** The Best Practices Awards serve to encourage organizations across the Commonwealth to develop and support programs and services that assist older adults to age in their community. Established in 2006, the Best Practices Awards recognize and encourage the replication of model programs, particularly those that foster aging in place, livable communities, and home and community-based services.

The upcoming webinar will highlight this year's amazing winners:

- **FIRST PLACE:** Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc. (MEOC) for its METGo! Program
- **SECOND PLACE:** Joyful Voices Chorus
- **THIRD PLACE:** Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI) for its Live Active, Live Healthy, Live Modern Senior Retreat ("LIVE") Program

Webinar attendees will learn more about these award-winning programs, how the programs can be replicated, and how programs can be nominated for the Council's 2024 Best Practices Awards.

Real-time captioning will be provided via Zoom.

**For More Information on the Council or the Best Practices Awards:**

<https://vda.virginia.gov/boardsandcouncils.htm>

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**To Register:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_jYMjW1G0Soe3MZr8I26gUA#/registration](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jYMjW1G0Soe3MZr8I26gUA#/registration)



## HCBS Conference



The **2023 HCBS Conference** will be held on **August 27-31, 2023** at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront in Baltimore, MD!

The Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Conference is ADvancing States' national conference that annually brings together state, federal, and local policymakers as well as leaders who administer, manage, and deliver waiver and other HCBS programs. The purpose of the HCBS Conference is to share practices and policies that improve state systems delivering long-term services and supports (LTSS) for all ages and abilities.

Registration is now open. [Register and learn more here!](#)

[Sign up here](#) to receive conference updates.

## **Fact Sheet: Medicare Coverage for Skilled Nursing Facility Care**

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The **Center for Medicare Advocacy** has created a one page fact sheet that outlines Medicare coverage for skilled nursing facility care. Here is a link to the document:

<https://medicareadvocacy.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/SNF-And-Jimmo-Fact-Sheet.pdf?emci=4459349f-a500-ee11-907c-00224832eb73&emdi=109ab062-bc00-ee11-907c-00224832eb73&ceid=6106883>