

Pennsylvania Association of Elder Law Attorneys

Webinar: **June 10, 2025** - 12:00 Noon—1:00 PM



“At the Crossroads: Resident Advocate and Facility Perspectives on Recent Nursing Home Regulation Developments” (1 CLE)

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DESCRIPTION OF THIS WEBINAR

Join us for an insightful discussion on the rapidly evolving regulatory landscape affecting Pennsylvania nursing homes, with a focus on the new staffing mandates and how they are reshaping operations across the state. Participants will gain a clearer understanding of how these changes impact not only facility management but also the resident experience. We'll explore how compliance can vary widely between providers, what signs to look for when assessing a facility's quality and stability, and how legal professionals can better support their clients in this shifting environment. Additional topics will include other key regulatory updates and practical insights into what lies ahead for long-term care in Pennsylvania.

PRESENTERS

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Pamela Walz is a Supervising Attorney in the Health and Independence Unit at CLS. Ms. Walz's practice includes representation of older adults and younger individuals with disabilities in matters involving nursing home and personal care home residents' rights, access to home and community based long term services and supports, public benefits and guardianship, as well as administrative and legislative advocacy, community education and outreach, and attorney and staff supervision.

Ms. Walz serves on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's Advisory Council on Elder Justice in the Courts. She also serves as a consumer advocate on the Department of Human Services' Medical Assistance Advisory Committee's Long Term Care Subcommittee.

Ms. Walz received her J.D. from Harvard Law School. She graduated from the University of California where she received a B.A. in English Literature.

Honors & Awards

- Excellence in Elder Law Award, *PA Bar Association* (2019)
- Excellence Award, *PLAN* (2012)
- Distinguished Public Service award, *First Judicial District of Pennsylvania* (2012)
- Spirit of CARIE Award, *Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly* (2011)
- Equal Justice Award, *Community Legal Services* (2007)

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Chava Goldschmidt is the Chief Nursing Officer of Allaire Health Services. Ms. Goldschmidt oversees the nursing operations of Allaire's twenty-six skilled nursing facilities. Areas of oversight include regulatory compliance, clinical programming, clinical education and orientation, policy development, leadership training, patient satisfaction, and clinical reimbursement.

A Registered Nurse with over a decade of experience in rehabilitation and long-term care nursing, Ms. Goldschmidt has worked as a bedside nurse, RNAC, Quality Assurance nurse, and Director of Nursing. Ms. Goldschmidt has also received training as a Certified Life Care Planner, and has testified as an expert witness on numerous occasions in deposition and trial.

Ms. Goldschmidt graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing in 2010. She maintains active RN licenses in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

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WEBINAR PRESENTATION/HANDOUT. Will be circulated to all registrants on Monday, June 9, 2025.

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September 16, 2025

The New Rules for Non-Judicial Settlement Agreements

Presented by Adam J. Cohen, Attorney from Mette Attorneys at Law.

Additional information on this webinar including registration will be available at a later date.

October 28, 2025

Managing Disbursement Challenges in Trust Administration: Fiduciary Responsibilities, and Legal Considerations

Presented by Joanne Marcus, MSW, President and CEO of Commonwealth Community Trust, and Ben Tiefenback, Esq, Counsel and Director of Client Services at Commonwealth Community Trust.

February 19—21, 2026

PAELA 17th Annual Winter Conference

Omni Bedford Springs Resort, Bedford, PA

February 18—20, 2027

PAELA 18th Annual Winter Conference

Omni Bedford Springs Resort, Bedford, PA

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