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## ABOUT US

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6Beds, Inc. promotes safe and affordable quality care for California seniors and adults with disabilities in a home-like environment.

6Beds is committed to educating and advocating on behalf of California's vulnerable residents by uniting senior and adult care facilities throughout the state.

6Beds is the voice and represents the concerns of the small care providers.



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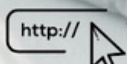
# 6Beds Survey: RCFE Expansion Bill AB 1993 (Kalra)

**Note: We need your support for AB 770 RCFE Expansion Bill**

We invite you to share your thoughts on the proposed expansion of bed capacity within your facility which is called the RCFE Expansion Bill that will be introduced to legislators with the intent of making it a law. If the Bill passes, the increase capacity will not require a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from the City or County. The requirement of the SSI/SSP was also taken out from the proposed bill.

By proceeding to answer this survey, you are agreeing to share your response to the survey but we will not share any personal information.

**Please click the link provided in the email/text.**



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The 6Beds survey regarding the RCFE Expansion Bill AB 1993 (Kalra) was conducted to gather feedback from RCFE Providers on the proposed expansion of bed capacity within their facilities. The survey aimed to address the escalating costs of operations faced by providers amidst the ongoing housing crisis and increasing demand for assisted living services.

Providers were invited to share their perspectives on capacity expansion, which was seen as a strategic response to economic pressures and the need for sustainability in providing high-quality care. The survey highlighted that if the Bill passed, increased capacity would not require a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from the City or County, and the requirement of the SSI/SSP was also removed from the proposed bill.

Participants were assured that their responses would remain confidential, and any personal information would not be shared. The survey emphasized the importance of provider input in shaping legislation that directly impacts their operations and the elderly population they serve.

If participants had questions or concerns, they were encouraged to reach out to the provided email address for prompt assistance.

The survey link was available for participants to respond and contribute their insights towards shaping the future of RCFE expansion legislation.



# CAREtoTALK: Funding Opportunities with Gina and Deanna



The CAREtoTALK webinar series took place on February 28th from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, hosted online via Zoom.

## Exciting Income Opportunity for ARF & RCFE Members!

6Beds had teamed up with HomeCA to launch a groundbreaking program aimed at enhancing the care and placement of vulnerable populations into ARFs, RCFEs, and independent living settings. This collaboration not only brought new government funding opportunities but also marked a significant advancement in their shared mission of providing quality care.

### Why Join?

- **New Funding Sources:** Attendees were able to unlock access to government funds to serve more individuals in need.
- **Expert Training & Support:** Participants received all the help they needed to integrate seamlessly into the program.
- **Community Collaboration:** They were encouraged to share and learn with a network of care providers passionate about making a difference.

### Get Involved!

Attendees learned more about this transformative initiative and how they could be a part of it by visiting the website or contacting HomeCA directly. They were invited to join in creating a brighter future for those they served. Thank you to all who participated in this informative webinar! For further inquiries or to stay updated on future events, please visit our website.

[CAREtoTALK Recording](#)



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6Beds The Voice 1st Qtr 2024

# Walk4ALZ 2024: Walk with Purpose, Walk with 6BEDS!





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# THANK YOU

Thank you for joining and generously supporting Alzheimer's Orange County (Alzheimer's OC) in their Walk with Purpose, Walk with 6BEDS fundraiser. Your participation and contributions have made a significant impact, and we're truly grateful.

Your dedication to Alzheimer's awareness and support is commendable. By partnering with 6Beds, you've not only raised vital funds but also highlighted the importance of Alzheimer's research, care, and support services provided by Alzheimer's OC.

We appreciate the time, effort, and resources you've invested in making this event a success. Whether you walked, donated, volunteered, or showed support in any way, your commitment hasn't gone unnoticed. Together, we're making strides toward a brighter future for those affected by Alzheimer's.

A special thank you to those who went above and beyond, showcasing exceptional dedication and passion for this cause. Your leadership and enthusiasm inspire us all, and we're honored to have you in our community.

As an organization dedicated to advocating for quality residential care for the elderly, 6Beds understands the importance of supporting initiatives like Walk with 6BEDS. Your involvement underscores our shared commitment to making a positive impact on the lives of seniors and their families.

Thank you for your unwavering support and commitment to making a difference. Your generosity and compassion reflect the spirit of community and solidarity, and we're privileged to stand alongside you in this journey.

Let's continue working together, united in our mission to raise awareness, offer support, and foster hope for those affected by Alzheimer's.

With warm regards,  
6Beds, Inc.



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**DATE**  
23 APRIL



**TIME**  
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

# 2024 6BEDS 10TH ADVOCACY DAY

Early Bird Alert! Secure your spot NOW and gain exclusive access for a limited time. Don't miss this opportunity to be a champion for your residents and your business!



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**Elevate Your Impact: Join the 6Beds Advocacy Day Webinar, April 23, 2024**  
April 23, 2024 | 8am 2pm  
Online via Zoom

## Event Highlights:

**When:** April 23, 2024, (Tuesday) from 8 AM to 2 PM

**Where:** Online - Accessible anywhere, designed for convenience

## Why You Should Attend:

**Unlock Insights:** Get the latest on regulatory developments, including the crucial RCFE expansion bill. Your access to information is your leverage.

**Voice Directly to Regulators:** Engage in meaningful dialogue with the DSS, DDS, and Regional Center. This is your platform to be heard and influence outcomes.

**Connect and Grow:** Network with like-minded professionals. Share, learn, and unite in our mission to provide exceptional care.



# AB 1993 KALRA EXPANSION BILL

## History of the bill:

The bill AB 1993 (Kalra) aimed to increase the maximum number of residents a Residential Care Facility for the Elderly (RCFE) could serve from six to ten while still being considered a residential use of property for local zoning purposes. The bill highlighted the growing need for expanded housing opportunities for older adults, especially given the increasing population of unhoused aging individuals in California.



Key points from the bill included:

- **Fiscal Impact:** Estimated ongoing costs to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) for additional staff positions to manage increased capacity statewide, as well as one-time costs for updating regulations and inspection processes.
- **Anticipated Challenges:** The Division of Medi-Cal Fraud and Elder Abuse (DMFEA) anticipated increased investigations and prosecutions for abuse and neglect due to the expansion of RCFE capacity.
- **Purpose:** The bill sought to address the housing crisis among aging adults and enable RCFEs to serve more individuals with housing, meals, and non-medical services.
- **Background:** California's aging population is rapidly growing, with a significant proportion facing homelessness. RCFEs play a critical role in providing personal care and housing to those needing assistance with daily living.
- **Committee Vote:** The bill received unanimous support in the Policy Committee on Human Services, with a vote of 7-0.

The bill underscored the importance of RCFEs in meeting the needs of California's aging population and emphasized that facilities seeking to expand would need to meet all existing licensing requirements. This legislation aimed to facilitate housing access for older adults while addressing operational challenges faced by RCFEs in the state.

# 6BEDS PROFESSIONAL PAYING MEMBER (PPM)

## How You Can Be A 6Beds Professional Paying Member

You may join us at 6Beds for as little as \$1.67 a day or \$50 a month regardless of how many licensed homes you have. You can also opt for different payment method:

**\$50 - MONTHLY PAYMENT**

**\$150 - QUARTERLY PAYMENT**

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**\$600 - ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT**

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with your tax advisor).

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- Invitation to **CaretoTalk** Member exclusive webinar for PPM (including ppt presentation and recording via member portal)
- **Lobbying** at State Capitol to help protect and expand residential care, including lobbying for rate increases and finding funding sources for ARFs and RCFEs
- **Stakeholder seats** with the Department of Social Services, Department of Developmental Services, Department of Federal and State Labor.
- Access to purchase **Wage and Hour Guide** and all updates from Littler, (Exclusive access to PPM only)
- **The Voice Quarterly Newsletter** for all current news pertaining to ARFs and RCFEs
- Access to **exclusive 6Beds training**.
- Call or Text **1-833-My6Beds (1-833-696-2337)** for questions, free for simple questions and discounted consulting fees for complex questions
- Access to **member only portal**
- **Vendor Discounts**

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## OUR ADVOCACY AND GOALS



## Why Contribute?

One of our missions is to provide shelter and care to a large number of low-income elderly in the state of California, with the ultimate goal of helping end homelessness. 6Beds promotes and stands by ARFs and RCFEs that are licensed by the state and is subjected to an extensive licensing process as well as ongoing check and balance from the State through unannounced inspections, unlike those of room and board who do not provide care and are unlicensed facilities. At 6Beds, we advocate for safe, affordable housing that meets the needs of Californians with disabilities by providing the best possible care.

## Contribute to Support our Advocacy!

Contribute Now Button (<https://6beds.org/contribute-now/#contribute>)

Your generous contribution can make a significant difference in our advocacy and in our mission to provide shelter and care to our frail elderly and adults with disabilities, including mental illness. Contribute to help end homelessness in California.





## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- **SUPPORT:** AB 1993 (Kalra)--Residential care facilities for the elderly: maximum number of residents. Expands from six to 10 the number of residents that can reside in an RCFE without having to get a conditional use permit. Will be amended to incorporate the DSS regulation limiting the number of residents to 2 per bedroom. The bill is cosponsored by 6beds and the California Commission on Aging. It passed unanimously out of the Assembly Human Services Committee.
- **OPPOSE:** AB 1911 (Reyes)--Residential care facilities: complaints. This bill sets statutory deadlines for DSS to act on complaints and report status to complainants. So far, no problem. But it also gives the complainants the right to appeal. We are concerned that the Department, already short of staff to perform their existing functions, will get bogged down even more if they have to handle these appeals. We are opposing the bill unless the bill is amended to remove the complainant's right to appeal.

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- **OPPOSE:** SB 1406 (Allen)--Residential care facilities for the elderly: resident services. This bill imposes a cap on how much RCFE fees can be raised from year to year. Right now, the formula in the bill is 5% plus the consumer price index. There is discussion of adding a cost of labor factor. There is an exemption for changes in level of care. The bill also gives residents the right to refuse service and requires RCFEs to honor the request. 6beds is opposing the bill on the grounds that RCFE costs are not in our control and tend to rise faster than the CPI, so that an apartment rent control model does not work. We also oppose the right to refuse service, which could jeopardize the safety of the resident refusing service and other residents and staff.
- **OPPOSE:** AB 2773 (Kalra)--Elders and dependent adults: abuse or neglect. This bill would lower the burden of proof for finding liability for elder abuse, limited to situations when the licensee has engaged in willful destruction of evidence ("spoliation"). This bill is sponsored by the Consumer Attorneys and is identical to a bill (AB 859 ) (Laird)) we opposed in 2017 that was vetoed by Gov. Jerry Brown. 6beds is opposed on the grounds that it would attract more lawsuits with settlement demands, further driving up insurance costs.



**OPPOSE**



# PINs Update

Provider Information Notices (PINs) Updates for Adult and Senior Care (ASC) Program

**NOTE:** Prior to November 2016, CCLD information currently being communicated in PIN form was communicated in the form of Provider Letters and CCLD Information Releases. To receive email notifications when a PIN has been released please email [ccldpolicynotification@dss.ca.gov](mailto:ccldpolicynotification@dss.ca.gov)

## **PIN 24-01-CCLD - Transparency Site**

- PIN 24-01-CCLD informs providers about the Community Care Licensing Division's (CCLD) Publicly Accessible Transparency Site, launched in June 2014. The site provides public access to essential information on licensed facilities, including inspection and consultation reports, deficiency listings, and correction plans, available at [www.cclld.dss.ca.gov/carefacilitysearch/](http://www.cclld.dss.ca.gov/carefacilitysearch/).
- Reports available include the Facility Evaluation Report (LIC 809) and Complaint Investigation Report (LIC 9099), along with citations, inspections, and visits. A Google Map feature shows some facility locations. The site displays information on licensed, pending, closed, or probationary facilities, with privacy protections for certain types of homes.

## **PIN 24-01-ASC - (Supersedes PIN 23-13-ASC) Updated Covid-19 Guidance On Vaccinations, Masking, Screening, Testing, Isolation, Visitation, And Infection Control Requirements**

- PIN 24-01-ASC provides updated COVID-19 guidance for Adult and Senior Care (ASC) licensees, superseding PIN 23-13-ASC. Key updates include new links to CDPH guidance on isolation, testing, symptoms, and masking, with a shift from a fixed five-day isolation period to a symptom-based approach. Quarantine recommendations for residents and staff have been removed.
- The guidance aligns with a broader approach to respiratory viruses, emphasizing the importance of vaccinations and available treatments. The notice applies to various ASC facility types and covers worker vaccination recommendations, updated masking and screening protocols, testing and isolation guidelines, visitation rules, and infection control requirements.

Source : [cdss.ca.gov](http://cdss.ca.gov)

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## **PIN 24-02-CCLD - Updated Guardian & Background Check Best Practices**

- PIN 24-02-CCLD updates best practices for initiating background checks and navigating the application process in the Guardian System, superseding PIN 22-06-CCLD. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD) advises using Guardian for applying for background checks, uploading documents, and accessing self-serve options. Due to Assembly Bill 1720, applicants no longer need to disclose criminal history before Live Scan results, except for specific home-based foster care programs.
- The PIN recommends starting applications in Guardian before submitting fingerprints to avoid delays. Applicants can follow a six-step process to complete their application and submit fingerprints, while licensees/providers have a separate seven-step process. Applications typically clear within 14 days if no criminal history is found.

For more detailed information, refer to the Agency Guardian User Guide. To sign up for Guardian, complete and submit the Licensee User Account Access Form (LIC 9277LUA).

## **PIN 24-04-CCLD - Guardian Training Webinar For Licenses And Providers**

- PIN 24-04-CCLD announces a live Guardian training webinar for all providers on February 28, 2024, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM Pacific Time via Zoom. Hosted by the Community Care Licensing Division's Care Provider Management Branch (CPMB), this webinar will cover general Guardian information, a user guide tour, person search and summary page, roster basics, a CPMB website tour, and a Q&A session.
- Additional Guardian resources, including a user guide and instructional videos, are available on the CPMB website. For further assistance, contact Guardian support at [Guardian@dss.ca.gov](mailto:Guardian@dss.ca.gov) or 1-888-422-5669. Stay updated on new information by signing up for Provider Information Notices (PINs) on the Department's website.

Source : [cdss.ca.gov](https://cdss.ca.gov)



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**TIER 2**  
\$1,488/Year

Table at all 6Beds statewide events:

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2. **Annual Conference**  
4th Friday in August
3. **Annual Gala & Awards Night**  
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# QUOTE of the QUARTER

“TO CARE FOR THOSE  
WHO ONCE CARED FOR  
US IS ONE OF THE  
HIGHEST HONORS.”

~TIA WALKER~