

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Executive Directors

FROM: Jeffrey S. Bragg, Secretary

DATE: June 1, 2017

SUBJECT: Notice of Instruction: National Nurse Aide Registry (NNAR)

This Notice of Instruction (NOI) provides notification to Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and Providers of a recent update to the Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse), regarding the National Nurse Aide Registry (NNAR). As of May 9, 2017, the Department of Elder Affairs joined the Clearinghouse as one of the specified agencies to activate the NNAR.

The NNAR is a web service that allows providers to check multiple state Nurse Aide Registries at once. The states currently participating in the NNAR are: Florida, Georgia, New Mexico, Ohio, Oregon, Utah, Washington D.C., and West Virginia.

This NOI serves as notification that, effective immediately, all providers hiring Nurse Aides must complete the NNAR search feature, and retain a copy of results within the employee/volunteer file. The attachment to this notice provides the updated procedural within the Clearinghouse, including the mandatory NNAR step for all DOEA contractual participants.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Florida's elders. Should you require additional information, please contact Valerie Brinkley directly at 850-414-2093 or by email at doanetwork@elderaffairs.org.

Attachment: