

Attention Employees

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

Elder Justice Act/Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

By law, employees of XXX Nursing Care Center are required to report to (local Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office) any reason to believe that a resident has been or is threatened with abuse, neglect or exploitation. In addition to reporting to the Ombudsman, employees are required to report to (local Law Enforcement agency) and SC DHEC any reasonable suspicion that a crime has been committed against a resident. **Employees are protected by law from any form of punishment or retaliation for making a required report.**

If you feel that you are being or have been retaliated against or punished for reporting abuse, neglect or exploitation or any other crime against a resident you may contact:

**South Carolina Department of Health and
Environmental Control (DHEC)
Bureau of Certification
Complaint Intake
803-545-4205 or 1-800-922-6735**