

Long-Term Care Survey Alert

SURVEY & CLINICAL DILEMMAS

How should facilities handle situations where safety issues conflict with residents rights and quality of life? Say a resident at risk of choking refuses thickened liquids or someone at high risk of falls insists on staying on the move. Should facilities ever consciously decide to avoid an immediate jeopardy citation by restricting a residents choices in areas that impact his quality of life? Long-Term Care Survey Alert wants to hear about how your facility is handling this and other survey and clinical challenges. Please share your input and experiences by e-mail (KarenL@EliResearch.com). Or dialogue with your colleagues on **Eli**s free Long-Term Care list serve. If you havent subscribed, go to www.eliresearch.com, click the Discussion Join link in the lower left-hand corner of the Web page, then click Long-Term Care, and sign up.