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DOH Issues DAL on Unsafe Wandering

ABSTRACT: Risk of resident wandering increased due to change of season.

The Department of Health (DOH) has issued Dear Administrator Letter (DAL) 08-05 advising facilities of the increased risk for wandering behavior brought about by warmer weather. The DAL outlines the need to review current systems and alert staff to the increased level of risk for residents who exhibit wandering behavior. The DAL is available on the Health Provider Network (<https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/hpn/>).