Operator Training Course Objectives

The operator course training objectives are integrated into the course outline. At the conclusion of the course, participants will be able to:

I. Discuss a conceptual, person-centered model for housing with services for older adults in licensed only facilities such as assisted living, home plus or adult day care.

II. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of needs which may develop as a result of the aging process and common chronic diseases found in older adults.

III. Demonstrate a knowledge of Kansas laws and regulations which govern the operation of licensed only adult care homes, including the Operator's ongoing responsibility for the facility's compliance.

IV. Show knowledge and demonstrate understanding of the rights of individuals who reside in long-term care facilities.

V. Show understanding of the role of the surveyor.

VI. Identify other state regulatory entities to which the Operator may be responsible.

VII. Discuss the Operator's responsibility for documentation, including charting and resident records.

VIII. Demonstrate the Operator's responsibility for basic principles of management, including support personnel, staff and record keeping.

IX. Show knowledge of the procedures involved in admission, transfer and discharge of residents, and understanding of Advance Directives.

X. Show understanding of the role of the Operator in performing a "Functional Assessment Screen" and developing a "Negotiated Service Agreement."

XI. Show understanding of issues involved in abuse/neglect and exploitation, including prevention and reporting requirements.

XII. Identify strategies for communicating effectively with family members.

XIII. Discuss strategies for helping residents deal with behavioral symptoms, including those of dementia.

XIV. Identify basic principles in providing for the nutritional needs of older adults and safe food service management.
XV. Demonstrate a knowledge of infection control practices.

XVI. Demonstrate a basic understanding of the Operator's responsibility in medication management.

XVII. Demonstrate a basic understanding of fire safety and emergency procedures.

XVIII. Demonstrate minimal competency as an Operator in an adult care home by successfully passing the Operator examination.