

**VIVERA SENIOR LIVING MEETING WITH KENTUCKY LEGISLATORS AND STAFF**

**Special Committee 1915c Home and Community Based Services Waiver Redesign Task Force**

**FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

**1. 2020 Long-Term Services and Supports Scorecard Results of the AARP Foundation, The Commonwealth Fund and The SCAN Foundation**

See the attached 2020 state scorecard of Long-Term Support Services (LTSS) provided for older adults and people with physical disabilities (available at <http://www.longtermscorecard.org/databydimension/bar-chart?ind=743&tf=1089&bst=33&wst=19>). Kentucky percentages of funding for HCBS (13.5%) is the one graphic represented in red to mark it as the “bottom” of all 51 rankings.

**2. Indiana improved its rankings in the same state scorecard between 2017 and 2020, in part by successfully adding Assisted Living Facilities to its HCBS offerings.**

See the included list of Medicaid-Supported Affordable Assisted Living Communities in Indiana.

**3. Kentucky must act quickly to reform its own HCBS offerings. States must demonstrate full compliance with the HCBS settings criteria by March 17, 2023.**

See the included July 14, 2021, letter from CMS to State Medicaid Directors (available at <https://www.medicaid.gov/Federal-Policy-Guidance/Downloads/smd20003.pdf>)

**4. When providing CMS with its plan for improving HCBS, Kentucky made a commitment to explore ways to “support housing for older adults and individuals with physical disabilities including assisted living.”**

See the included memo from Matthew Carr and Rhonda Schechter in connection with the Initial Enhanced HCBS Spending Plan and Narrative referenced therein (available at <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/Documents/fmapspendingplan.pdf>)