

**From:** Kester, Tony  
**To:** Watson, Dale <dwatson@aging.sc.gov>  
**Date:** 9/16/2013 1:33:14 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Action Alert: Unsafe Nursing Homes Listed in Hall of "Flame"

---

**From:** Robyn Grant, Director of Public Policy & Advocacy, National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care [mailto:rgrant@theconsumervoice.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 16, 2013 11:16 AM  
**To:** Kester, Tony  
**Subject:** Action Alert: Unsafe Nursing Homes Listed in Hall of "Flame"

September 16, 2013

**After Five Years: Numerous Nursing Homes  
Not Yet Sprinklered  
See our **Hall of "Flame"** and Take Action!**

On August 13, 2013 all nursing homes receiving Medicaid or Medicare money were required to be fully sprinklered. Almost 1,200 failed to meet that requirement, despite having had five (5) years to get sprinklers installed.

Residents in facilities that are only partially sprinklered or not sprinklered at all are at serious risk of injury and death by fire. Despite this danger, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is not taking immediate and forceful action.

Learn more about why sprinklers are SO important for resident safety [here](#).

**It is time for some citizen action.** Help us motivate nursing homes to come into compliance by calling them out on their lack of sprinklers.

Find out what nursing homes in your town, area or state are not fully sprinklered by visiting our **Hall of Flame** - [click here now to see these homes and take action](#).

Exactly 10 years ago this month, 15 residents were killed in an unsprinklered home in Tennessee. Today, residents in the approximately 1,200 unsprinklered or partially sprinklered nursing homes could suffer the same fate in a fire situation.

Protect current and future residents by letting the public know which nursing homes lack critical fire safety protections!

---

You have received this e-mail through your subscription to the National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care's e-mail list.

Recipients of this email include all state long-term care ombudsmen, Consumer Voice members, Action Network members and other individuals who have subscribed to our e-mail list

If you did not subscribe or would no longer like to receive e-mail updates, [unsubscribe here](#).

Clicking the unsubscribe link will remove you from all Consumer Voice and NORC email lists.

National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care - 1001 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 425 - Washington, DC 20036 -  
telephone: (202) 332-2275 - fax: (202) 403-3473 - [info@theconsumervoice.org](mailto:info@theconsumervoice.org)

