

Louisiana state ICF report 2017

We are seeing positive actions under the new administration of Governor John Bel Edwards regarding the only state run ICF left in Louisiana. Admittance has changed over the last few years to include anyone with a diagnosis of a mental disability, which have caused concerns from employees about their safety, especially since some residents have been in trouble with the law.

Recent articles in some state newspapers about those concerns have brought attention to the growing issues at Pinecrest. In April the state moved 6 residents to other facilities better equipped to handle their behavior.

Our legislature is again facing serious budget issues. Right now, it appears Healthcare will take a hit. About 1/3rd of the budget is spent on Healthcare and the legislators are having a problem believing there is not excessive spending in that department.