

# **SURVEY & CERTIFICATION PROMISING PRACTICES**

## **STATE PROFILE: OVERVIEW & DATA SOURCES**

Promising practices implemented at State Survey Agencies across the nation are featured in the series of issue briefs posted on this Website; however, a uniform set of statistical and other information about each featured agency and its home state can be accessed in the state profiles presented in this section.

The state profiles are intended to provide an understanding of the environment within which the featured agencies are functioning, including factors which may influence or help shape the implementation of particular practices.

Data presented in the state profiles are drawn from multiple sources. Agency staff provided the information noted below, unless otherwise indicated on an individual state profile. The information was obtained from agency management staff in 2005 or 2006, and is subject to change over time.

- Number of Nursing Homes, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, ICF/MR Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, and Hospices
- Number of Nursing Home Survey Staff, Home Health Survey Staff, Hospital Survey Staff, ICF/MR Survey Staff, Hospice Survey Staff, Administrative Support Staff, and Managers
- Surveyors Unionized

The sources for other data presented in the state profiles are listed in the “Related Links Outside CMS Section” for each state-specific page, which may be accessed via the Survey & Certification Map (click on the selected state), or selecting a specific state via the Survey & Certification Promising Practices List.