**503 Carpet For Senior Living**

**IDCEC Course# 101590 Designation-Health, Safety & Welfare/Sustainability**

**AIA Course #000503 Designation-HSW**

**Course Credits:**

**0.1CEU / 1 LU**

**Course Description:**

This course explores the ways in which carpet enhances the warmth and character of facilities designed for senior living and the unique carpeting demands of senior environments in terms of carpet selection. Special attention is paid to the physical realities of aging and dementia, as these play key roles in senior safety, mobility and comfort. For more information, visit CRI’s website at [www.carpet-rug.org](http://www.carpet-rug.org).

**Course Objectives:**

* Explain how changing U.S. demographics impact the senior living end-use segment.
* Describe unique issues faced by seniors that should be considered in carpet selections, with special attention to dementia patients.
* Identify how wise carpet selections provide benefits in safety, ergonomics, acoustics, moisture, odor control and indoor air quality.
* Explain how proper carpet maintenance can help keep a senior living environment healthy.

**Course Outline:**

Segment I: Types of Senior Living Facilities

Segment II: Demographics

Segment III: Implications for Design Professionals

Segment IV: Carpet and a Healthy Environment