

COVID-19 Resources for LTC/LTPAC

In-Service Education Tools

- [Common Carriers of Infection Nursing In-Service Tool](#)
- [Common Infections in Nursing Facilities Nursing In-Service Tool](#)

Tools

- [Infection Preventionist Job Description](#)
- [§483.30 Infection Control Tool](#)

Articles

- [Infection Surveillance: How to Beef Up Your Program](#)
- [Optimize the Infection Preventionist's QAPI/QAA Role](#)
- [Infection Prevention and Control Audits: Start with Hand Hygiene](#)

CMS

Coronavirus Resources

- [March 26 – CMS Approves 12 Additional State Medicaid Waivers to Give States Flexibility to Address the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [March 23 – CMS Approves Medicaid Section 1135 Waivers for 11 Additional States in Response to COVID-19](#)
- [March 23 – Coverage and Payment Related to COVID-19 Medicare](#)
- [March 23 – QSO-20-20-All – Prioritization of Survey Activities](#)
- [March 23 – Kirkland, Washington Update and Survey Prioritization Fact Sheet](#)
- [March 23 – ICD-10 MS-DRGs Version 37.1 R1 Effective April 1, 2020](#)
- [March 23 – 2019-Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Medicare Provider Enrollment Relief Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#)
- [March 22 – CMS Announces Relief for Clinicians, Providers, Hospitals and Facilities Participating in Quality Reporting Programs in Response to COVID-19](#)
- [March 22 – Trump Administration Releases COVID-19 Checklists and Tools to Accelerate Relief for State Medicaid & CHIP Programs](#)
- [March 19 – CMS Approves Washington State's Request for 1135 Medicaid Waivers](#)
- [March 18 – CMS Releases Recommendations on Adult Elective Surgeries, Non-Essential Medical, Surgical, and Dental Procedures During COVID-19 Response](#)
- [March 18 – FAQs on Catastrophic Plan Coverage and the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [March 17 – Medicaid State Plan Fee-for-Service Payments for Services Delivered Via Telehealth](#)
- [March 17 – Medicare Telemedicine Health Care Provider Fact Sheet](#)
- [March 17 – Medicare Telehealth Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#)
- [March 17 – Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Partner Toolkit](#)
- [March 17 – CMS Approves First State Request for 1135 Medicaid Waiver in Florida](#)
- [March 16 – Medicare Fee-for-Service \(FFS\) Response to the Public Health Emergency on the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [March 13 – CMS Takes Action Nationwide to Aggressively Respond to Coronavirus National Emergency](#)

- March 13 – [Guidance for Infection Control and Prevention of Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) in nursing homes \(REVISED\)](#)
- March 13 – [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Preparedness Checklist for Nursing Homes and other Long-Term Care Settings](#)
- March 13 – [Findings Concerning Section 1812\(f\) of the Social Security Act in Response to the Effects of the 2019-Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Outbreak](#)
- March 12 – [CMS Publishes First Set of COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) for State Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance Program \(CHIP\) Agencies \[Updated March 18\]](#)
- March 10 – [Guidance for Use of Certain Industrial Respirators by Health Care Personnel](#)
- March 10 – [CMS Sends More Detailed Guidance to Providers about COVID-19](#)
- March 10 – [Frequently Asked Questions for State Survey Agency and Accrediting Organization Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- March 10 – [CMS Issues Guidance to help Medicare Advantage and Part D Plans Respond to COVID-19](#)
- March 10 – [CMS Issues Key Protective Mask Guidance for Healthcare Workers](#)
- March 9 – [Telehealth Benefits in Medicare are a Lifeline for Patients During Coronavirus Outbreak](#)
- March 9 – [FAQs Related to Medicare Payment for Lab Tests and Other Services Related to COVID-19](#)
- March 4 – [CMS Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus \[Note: The QSO Memo in this article has been updated – see March 13 above.\]](#)
- [CMS Prepares Nation’s Healthcare Facilities for Coronavirus Threat](#)
- [Public Health News Alert: CMS Develops New Code for Coronavirus Lab Test](#)
- [Information for Healthcare Facilities Concerning 2019 Novel Coronavirus Illness \(2019-nCoV\)](#)

Infection Control and Emergency Preparedness Resources

- [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Long Term Care \(LTC\) Infection Control Worksheet – LTC Facility Self-Assessment Tool](#)
- [Emergency Preparedness Webpage](#)
- [QSO19-06-ALL – Emergency Preparedness- Updates to Appendix Z of the State Operations Manual \(SOM\)](#)
- [Adult Immunization Resources for Providers](#)

The CDC

- March 24 – [Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens from Persons for Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- March 24 – [CDC COCA Call for March 24 Rescheduled to March 27: Underlying Medical Conditions and People at Higher Risk for Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- March 23 – [CDC COCA Call on March 25 – COVID-19 Update: Optimization Strategies for Healthcare Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\)](#)
- March 23 – [Information for Clinicians on Therapeutic Options for COVID-19 Patients](#)
- March 23 – [Guidance for Retirement Communities and Independent Living](#)
- March 23 – [Preventing the Spread of COVID-19 in Retirement Communities and Independent Living Facilities \(Interim Guidance\)](#)

- March 22 – Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): People who are at higher risk for severe illness
- March 22 – Help Keep our Residents Safe from COVID-19 fillable letter
- March 17 – Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of PPE
- March 16 – Criteria for Return to Work for Healthcare Personnel with Confirmed or Suspected COVID-19 (Interim Guidance)
- March 16 – CDC COCA Call on March 17 – Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Update and Information for Long-term Care Facilities
- March 13 – Guideline for Disinfection and Sterilization in Healthcare Facilities
- March 12 – CDC Webinar on March 13 at 2pm ET – Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Update and Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations
- March 11 – Interim Additional Guidance for Infection Prevention and Control for Patients with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 in Nursing Homes
- March 10 – Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission
- Updated March 10 – Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Patients with Confirmed 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) or Persons Under Investigation for 2019-nCoV in Healthcare Settings
- March 7 – CDC HAN 429: Updated Guidance on Evaluating and Testing Persons for COVID-19
- Sequence for Putting on Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Prevent the Spread in LTC Facilities
- Handwashing Video Library
- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) About 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)
- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Information for Healthcare Professionals
- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation Summary
- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Resources for Healthcare Facilities [Updated March 16]
- Flowchart to Identify and Assess 2019 Novel Coronavirus
- Checklist for Healthcare Facilities: Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of N95 Respirators during the COVID-19 Response
- (Developed with CMS) – Nursing Home Infection Preventionist Training Course

World Health Organization Resources

- March 6 – Mental Health Considerations during COVID-19 Outbreak
- Rational use of personal protective equipment for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Other Resources

- March 25 – The National Library of Medicine expands access to coronavirus literature through PubMed Central from National Institutes of Health
- March 23 – Frequently Asked Questions Regarding COVID-19 and PALTC: When COVID-19 Is Currently In Your Regional Community (i.e., Community Spread) – from AMDA
- March 23 – A Master List of All of the Booze Companies Making Hand Sanitizer – The Takeout

- March 19 – [COVID-19 Door to Door Inpatient User's Guide](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 18 – [Nebraska Medicine COVID-19 PPE Guidance: Extended Use and Limited Reuse of Disposable Facemasks, Respirators and Protective Eyewear](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 18 – [State Data and Policy Actions to Address Coronavirus](#) – from Kaiser Family Foundation
- March 17 – [COVID 19 – How to safely transport inpatients](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 17 – [New coronavirus stable for hours on surfaces](#) – from National Institutes of Health
- March 17 – [Caring for PALTC Residents with Dementia During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#) – from AMDA
- March 16 – [Guidance for Transporting Patients with or under investigation for COVID-19](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 16 – [COVID-19 Symptomatic Line List Template Spreadsheet](#) – from AMDA
- March 16 – [Active Screening of Residents](#) – from AMDA
- March 16 – [COVID-19 Facility Exposure Management – After you have a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19](#) – from AMDA
- March 15 – [Strategies for Mitigating the Emotional Impact of COVID-19](#) – from AMDA
- March 13 – [Data Note: How might Coronavirus Affect Residents in Nursing Facilities?](#) – from Kaiser Family Foundation
- March 12 – [COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment: Doffing](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 11 – [PPE for the Care of Patients Infected or Suspected with COVID-19 \[Video\]](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 11 – [AMDA Webinar on March 12: Our facility has COVID -19: What you should do now & how to best to prepare for a COVID outbreak](#) – from AMDA
- March 9 – [Recommendations for LTC COVID-19](#) – from the Washington State Department of Health
- March 6 – [PPE for COVID-19 Infographic](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 6 – [COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment: Donning](#) – from Nebraska Medicine and the University of Minnesota Medical Center
- March 6 – [COVID-19 Healthcare Planning Checklist](#) – from HHS
- March 6 – [Highly Pathogenic Infectious Disease Training and Exercise Resources](#) – slides and recorded webinar – from ASPR TRACIE
- March 5 – [Duty to Plan: Health Care, Crisis Standards of Care, and Novel Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2](#) – from National Academy of Medicine
- March 5 – [Best Practices for Managing COVID-19 in SNFs](#) – recorded webinar – from Washington PACLTC

Infection Prevention and Control Resources

- March 17 – [Focused Infection Control Surveys in Nursing Facilities](#) – From Texas Health and Human Services
- [Clean Hands Count for Safe Healthcare](#)

- [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Recommended Immunization Schedule for Adults Aged 19 Years or Older — United States, 2020](#)

OSHA

- [COVID-19 – Overview](#)
- [Key OSHA standards for COVID-19](#)
- [Healthcare Workers and Employers](#)
- [Workers’ Rights and Employers’ Responsibilities](#)

Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP)

- [Unmasked: Experts explain necessary respiratory protection for COVID-19](#)

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases

- [Infectious Diseases – Coronaviruses](#)

From the Employers Council

- [Employer Obligations to Protect Employees from Coronavirus](#)

National Studies on Infection Control

- [Nursing Home Infection Control Program Characteristics, CMS Citations, and Implementation of Antibiotic Stewardship Policies: A National Study](#)