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# LeadingAge Kansas COVID-19 Weekly Update February 12, 2021

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# State Update

- KDHE and KDADS are still looking to connect with any senior care providers who have not yet had a vaccine. If you are one of those, contact Scott Brunner ([scott.brunner@ks.gov](mailto:scott.brunner@ks.gov))
- The state PPE portal was experiencing some delays in shipping but should be caught up now. Let us know if you are experiencing any issues
- Free 5-star analysis reports available, if you haven't received your report contact Dana Weaver ([dana@leadingagekansas.org](mailto:dana@leadingagekansas.org))
- Temporary Nurse Aides
- Poll Question
- Nurse Aide Clinicals

# Federal Update

- [5-10 min survey](#) on staff vaccination rates – important help for CDC and effort to increase national vaccination rates
- COVID Vaccine Resources found on [COVID-19 Partner Resources Page](#) and the [HHS COVID Education Campaign page](#).
- [National Strategy for the COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness](#) \$1.9 billion relief plan from Biden Administration
- Read [LeadingAge summary and analysis](#)

# LeadingAge National Update

- [Action Alert](#) on the COVID relief we need in the new COVID-19 relief bill
- [Letter to Biden Administration's Domestic Policy Council](#) to discuss the hard-learned lessons from the past year, including one very important lesson: we can and must do survey and enforcement differently.

Points LeadingAge plans to advocate for:

- collaborative survey approaches and re-evaluating enforcements
- Impact of 1135 waivers and positives around regulatory flexibility
- Working with and building on the National Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine study to examine how we finance, regulate, and measure quality in long-term care.

# Legislative Update

**Immunity bill (HB 2126) update** – thank you to everyone who has reached out to their legislators on House Judiciary Committee

**Children and Seniors Committee** voted in favor of

- HB 2150 concerning adult protective services, approved our amendment so that when home files a report of suspected abuse/exploitation APS must tell them if the abuse/exp was confirmed
- HB 2114 Legislative taskforce on senior care issues

**Next week:**

KDADS budget hearings

KanCare Oversight meeting

Three days of hearings on unemployment system reform

# COVID-19 Safety for CNAs Training Series

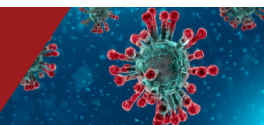
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- 1. COVID-19 101 and Self-Care**
- 2. PPE for COVID-19**
- 3. Respiratory Protection**
- 4. Right, Responsibilities, and Communications Tools**
- 5. Putting it all Together**

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# Upcoming Presenter

**Nancy Hooks**

Vice President of State Relations - LeadingAge

**Overview of the Pandemic Playbook**

