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LeadingAge Kansas
COVID-19 Weekly Update
April 8, 2021

State Update

- Updated PPE policy for KDADS surveyors entering your building. Based on county positivity rate and outbreak status. See handout.
- May 28th is deadline to renew for Administrators, Dietitians, CMAs, etc. Unlike other licensees who have a 90 day grace period after May 28. We are advocating on this.

State Update

Fire Marshal Update:

- Resuming routine inspections. Finding some instances in which routine maintenance fell behind during 2020. Uptick in lower level tags.
- KSFM is not testing inspectors. If providers require a rapid test on arrival, inspectors have been instructed to comply.
- Inspectors are supposed to wear mask and eye covering at minimum.
- Associations arranging a webinar with KSFM to update adult care homes and Q&A.

NON-COVID ISSUE: Natural Gas Price Gouging

- Kansas AG investigation underway on natural gas price gouging.
<https://www.kansascity.com/news/politics-government/article250342866.html>.
- If you have had this experience:
 - File a complaint with the Kansas Corporation Commission at <https://kcc.ks.gov/file-a-complaint/file-a-utility-complaint>
 - File a price gouging complaint with the KS AG's Consumer Protection Division at 785-296-3751 or 1-800-432-2310 or fill out a consumer complaint online at <https://www.ag.ks.gov/complaint-center/price-gouging-and-coronavirus-scams-investigative-request>.
- Let us know.

Federal Update

Provider Relief Fund [article](#) on the recent updates to the PRF FAQs.

NON-COVID ITEMS:

- **CMS SNF Open Door Forum** - SNF PPS rule. Thurs., April 15, 1 PM Central
Dial: 1-888-455-1397. Passcode: 8604468.
- **CMS HH, Hospice, DMA Open Door Forum** - FY2022 Hospice Proposed Rule Updates, claims processing issues, public reporting & Hospice Compare, and Hospice Quality Reporting Program updates. Tues., April 13, 2 PM Central. Ph 1-888-455-1397. Passcode: 8604468.

Legislative Update

- Happy First Adjournment! After today legislators on 3 week break and return May 3 for Veto Session
- Still waiting on Governor's decision for HB 2126.
 - Monday is the ten day deadline for Governor to act before it passes into law without her signature
- Budget compromise on nursing home funding
 - 3% Medicaid increase for FY 22 (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022)
 - \$15/day increase for 178 days to finish out calendar year 2020
 - \$15/day increase for 120 days starting January 1, 2021 (with option for legislative leaders to extend to June 30, 2021)

2021 VIRTUAL *Spring Conference*
weeks of April 19th & April 26th

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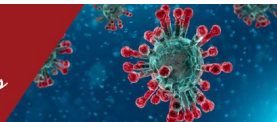
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Poll:

If we were to host a virtual statewide career fair, would your organization participate?

Yes

No



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