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# LeadingAge Kansas Weekly Webinar March 11, 2022

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# Federal Update

**CMS Updates Testing Guidance for Nursing Homes:** CMS released updated guidance on nursing home testing requirements. Access the updated guidance [here](#). Updates largely focus on the adoption of CDC vaccination status language “up to date / not up to date.”

**CMS Updates Visitation Guidance for Nursing Homes:** CMS released updated guidance and associated FAQs on nursing home visitation. Access the updated guidance [here](#). Updates largely focus on the adoption of CDC vaccination status language “up to date / not up to date.”

**OSHA Announces Focused Inspections of Nursing Homes and Hospitals:** OSHA has announced that they will initiate [focused inspections and investigations](#) of nursing homes and hospitals that treat COVID-19 patients. The intent of the OSHA initiative is to magnify their presence in high-hazard healthcare facilities over a three-month period (March 9, 2022 to June 9, 2022)

# State Update

- KDADS informed CMS that they will not be surveying nursing homes on the F888 tag (staff vaccination mandate) and are waiting on an official response from CMS.
- KDHE/KDADS letter March 9th announcing an extension of the state funded labs for COVID-19 testing through May 15<sup>th</sup> and shifting the deadlines to Battelle as a free option for testing. [Read the letter](#)

# Legislative Update

- **House Appropriations voted to include full Medicaid funding for nursing homes in the House budget bill.** Senate Ways and Means voted last week to include the same funding in the Senate budget bill.
- [SB 453](#) (Expansion of CNA training) hearing held Tuesday in House Health and Human Services. Bill opponents falsely contend that the bill does away with CNA training requirements for direct caregivers. Committee chair instructed proponents and opponents to propose a compromise by Monday.
- [H Sub for Sub for SB 286](#) (COVID liability protections extension) approved by House. Senate votes as soon as Monday, please respond to our legislative alert and contact your Senator!
  - House also amended the bill to add a KHA bill that increases the penalty for battery of a health care worker and creates new crime of "interference with the conduct of a hospital"

# Value First PPE and Testing Update

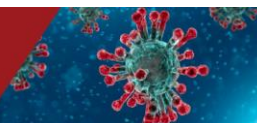
- **McKesson, Value First's preferred distribution partner, supply chain update:**
  - Quidel rapid antigen test are still on allocation, please allow for a **minimum three-week backorder delay**.
  - The FlowFlex rapid test is readily available by the case of 300.
  - Continue to anticipate availability challenges on plastic and paper products.
  - McKesson has seen a recent reduction in cost for gloves so please reach out!
  - Please share with your McKesson representative any additional needs you might have. , Scott Fleet. (816.305.7177) [scott.fleet@mckesson.com](mailto:scott.fleet@mckesson.com)
- Should your community have challenges finding any product in high demand, please reach out to [ann@leadingagekansas.org](mailto:ann@leadingagekansas.org)

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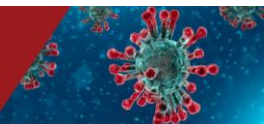
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**For more information, including dates and registration information, visit**  
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# Spring Conference & Expo April 14 – 15, 2022 Wichita @ Hyatt Regency and Century II

We have an excellent line-up of speakers and valuable education sessions. Learn more about the sessions by [visiting our website](#).

**You are going to LOVE our keynote speakers!**

**Courtney Clark – ReVisionary Thinking: The Science of Adapting to Change**

**Dennis McIntee – Leading People through Change**

Official Webpage for the Conference is:  
<http://www.leadingagekansas.org/22spring>



# Webinar: Montessori Principles for Staff and Leadership

Tuesday March 22nd, 1:00-2:00 PM

**Presented by Gary Johnson, MSW | Monarch Pathways**

Designed for administrators and department managers, this webinar introduces participants to Montessori-based approaches to **engaging and retaining staff in long-term care**. Drawing on key principles of dignity, equality and respect, participants will learn how to empower staff at all levels to find meaning and purpose in their work, bring their unique talents and perspectives to their roles, and build a culture where employees feel valued and supported.

[Click here to register](#)

# Webinar: Building Relationships and Staff Retention

Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-2:00 PM

**Carmen Bowen | Edu-Catering** (Fantastic presenter!)

Learn the simple, no cost, very meaningful culture change practices that build relationship and result in even better regulatory compliance, better work life for those who work there let alone better *life* for those who *live* there.

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Send questions to [nicole@leadingagekansas.org](mailto:nicole@leadingagekansas.org)

# Upcoming Weekly Webinar Guest Presenters

**Amy Siple, APRN - April 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Psychotropic Stewardship**

Your recommendations for other topics/presenters "mini"  
presentations during a weekly webinar?

Email [Nicole@leadingagekansas.org](mailto:Nicole@leadingagekansas.org)

# Mindfulness Minute

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## Deep Listening Exercise

The deep listening exercise is similar to deep seeing, except you use your sense of hearing. All you need to do is sit and listen.

Listen to close sounds, like your breath. Then listen for sounds that are slightly further away, like the hum of a fan or someone speaking in the next room. Then listen for even further sounds, like cars or airplanes.

Do this for 3 to 5 minutes.

