LeadingAge Kansas COVID-19 Weekly Update November 20, 2020





What Are You Thankful For?

Please type your answers in the chat box.





State Update

- State of emergency extended to December 15, 2020
- On Thursday Gov. Laura Kelly issued a <u>new executive order</u> that creates a statewide mask mandate. Counties are still allowed to opt themselves out of the mandate.
- Presentation slides for regional lab call. Includes:
 - Process of getting in touch with your lab
 - Counties to lab allocations, so that you can determine which lab has been assigned to your County
 - Lab contact information
 - Checklist of items to cover, when calling labs
 - FAQs





Federal Update

Holidays and the nursing home. CMS has released an <u>alert</u> related to holidays and nursing homes. Summary of recommendations from LeadingAge national <u>here</u> and included tips for implementation. Key recommendations:

- Provider cannot prevent a resident from leaving the facility
- CMS will not be relaxing visitation restrictions for the holidays.
- Providers should educate residents/families on the risks of going out (and discourage leaving).
- If the resident/family insists on leaving, providers should educate them on mitigation strategies.
- Providers need to consider additional precautions upon return for those who choose to leave.
- Providers should also discourage staff from attending gatherings and engaging in other risky behavior.

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Staff and holidays

Share these flyers with staff

- Everyone Can Make Thanksgiving Safer
- Consider Other Thanksgiving Activities
- Consider providing them masks and sanitizer to use off premises

What are you doing to encourage/educate staff to be safer during holidays?





Haven't received federal COVID-19 funds that you expected?

Email Nicole Fallon nfallon@leadingage.org





LeadingAge Kansas Update

New Rapid Resources

- Pulmonary (Respiratory) Assessment
- Pre/During/Post Outbreak toolkit

And...





Coping with COVID

Free weekly interactive zoom calls for you and your staff with a licensed social worker to talk about and find ways to cope with our shared trauma

- November February
- Mondays at Noon Starting November 23rd
- Wednesdays at 7 PM Starting December 2nd

Register for Monday Zoom Calls
Register for Wednesday Zoom Calls





What other resources would you find useful at this time?





Education

When COVID-19 and the Flu Season Converge – What to Anticipate and How to Prepare

Tues, Nov 24 | 1:00 – 2:00PM | Register Now

Older Adult Anxiety and Its Relationship to Sleep and Incontinence Issues

Tues, Dec 1 | 1:00-2:00PM | Register Now

Tips for Senior Winter Wellness – How Seniors Can Avoid the Post-Holiday Blues

Thurs, Dec 3 | 1:00 – 2:00PM | Register Now

LeadingAge Webinar: Provider Relief Fund Reporting Requirements

Weds, Dec 2 | 1:00 – 2:00 | Register Now













We are thankful for you!

In observance of the holiday, our offices will be closed next Friday so we will not be hosting a webinar.



