

Long Term Care Provider Call

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

1. Welcome

- All calls are muted, session is being recorded
- Hold questions for Q&A session
- 405.271.6868, LTC@health.ok.gov
- Website – <https://ltc.health.ok.gov> (LTC COVID-19 Resources)

Mike Cook

Policy & Guidance

2. General Updates

- Expected release of color-coded system of the counties tomorrow – we will follow up with guidance on how to interpret the color-codes for our LTC communities
- Can continue to find county data at [OSDH District Breakout](#) or go to coronavirus.health.ok.gov/, scroll down and click on the district breakouts then click on your county, a box will pop up. Click on the number of cases in the county and trending data will appear.
- LTC CARES Grant
 - 37 applications submitted
 - You can locate grant information at coronavirus.health.ok.gov/. Hover over Resources and Recommendations and click on LTC CARES Grant.
 - [Long Term Care Facility Staff PPE Usage Grid](#) can be found on this page
 - [LTC CARES Grant Sample Application](#) can be found on this page
 - [FAQs](#) are posted on this page
 - The grant application is a web form only submission process
 - You can be the same contact person for multiple facilities but you must submit a separate application for each facility
 - No further guidance on recapturing expenses back through March – we do believe allowable expenses from June 1st through December 1st will exhaust the funds
 - Monitoring plans should be submitted by July 15th - they must be approved before submitting grant application – let us know if you have a delay, send email to ltc@health.ok.gov
 - ICF-IIDs are eligible for the grant
 - DUNs numbers are unique numbers the federal government uses for those who receive grant dollars – information on how to obtain a DUNs number are in the [FAQs](#)
 - Financial Accountability Test – select all that apply – those answers guide oversight of the grant award, not the amount of the award or whether or not you will receive an award
 - Enter Licensed operating entity name and number; these can be found on the OSDH issued license
 - Address should be for the licensed operating entity not the physical address of the facility
 - W-9 should match the licensed operating entity on file for the facility – if there has been a change, submit a [Notice of Change Form](#) to Health Facility Systems at hfs@health.ok.gov

James Joslin



- Adult day cares will provide the census as of Friday January 31st or Monday February 3rd since the 1st was on a weekend
- Report census, not bed count. A resident in the hospital or on therapeutic leave can be counted in the census if they have not been discharged from the facility.
- Continuum of care facilities will submit 1 application for the facility and provide census numbers for each facility type in the boxes provided – you cannot apply for independent living residents
- Continuum of care facilities can do 1 IP Risk Assessment but all facility types should be addressed in the document for their specific population risk factors. You do not need a separate infection preventionist for each care facility type.
- An Infection Prevention Risk Assessment must still be done even if not applying for the grant
- You do not have to submit the reopening plan with the IP Risk Assessment. We are not approving reopening plans, it is your guide to your policies.

3. Infection Prevention Monitoring Plan Update

Paula Terrel

- Include the name of your facility in the subject line when submitting
- If you have multiple facilities, please submit each facility individually

4. Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) Update

Jeneene Kitz

- Signage on COVID+ or quarantined resident doors should read “Transmission-based Precautions” with the required PPE spelled out. Signage that reads “Droplet Precautions” can be misleading since droplet precautions only calls for a mask to be worn. Staff need to be able to easily identify the required PPE for the resident’s care.
- You should have a policy on employee illness. Many of the COVID symptoms are similar to other illnesses and each case should be investigated further, don’t automatically assume it is COVID.
- If you are restricting someone from work due to COVID symptoms, it is a 10 day restriction from day of symptom onset, not 14 days. Day 0 is day of onset, they can return to work on day 11. Follow your policy about returning to work.
- The Battelle Critical Care Decontamination System can be used by facilities to decontaminate N95 masks allowing you to optimize your supply. Will put together some information on this system for your consideration.

5. Civil Monetary Penalty Reinvestment Fund Update

Luvetta Abdullah

- Received 102 applications representing 186 facilities
- No deadline to submit an application
- Cover letter instructions and application can be found at cmp.health.ok.gov/
- The OU Oklahoma Dementia Care Network will assist you with filling out the application. They will also be distributing devices in the future. You should receive an email regarding this.
- Need a Vendor Registration Form before can issue payment – the form was emailed out. It is sent to OMES (Office of Management and Enterprise Services). If your information is outdated

or they have no bank information, you will receive an email from the State of Oklahoma from a department called Vendor Registration.

- Payments have been delayed until next week

6. CMS QIN-QIO Telligen Update

Sherry Longacre

- Continuing with CMS QII Referrals for facilities needing intervention with their infection prevention and control program
- Offer a PPE auditing tool and infection control tools including a fishbone for root cause analysis
- Can assist with NSHN troubleshooting
- CMS is sending the penalty notifications through the QIES system
- Can assist other facility types as needed
- Offering QAPI Sprint- a 6 weeks training series starting Thursday, July 30th at 11:00am for Oklahoma NHs with guidance and tools for your QAPI program - Register at <https://www.telligenqinqio.com/>
- Will be hosting Office Hours with OHCA - Register at <https://www.telligenqinqio.com/>
- Contact slongacre@telligen.com or 405.810.3224

7. Survey Deficiency Concerns

Paula Terrel

- Failure to use full PPE for residents in quarantine
- Failure to have signage on doors regarding transmission-based precautions
- Failure to use EPA List N disinfectants
- Failure to have residents wear masks and social distance when out of their rooms
- Failure to restrict COVID+ staff from working – this must be discussed with OSDH LTC administrative staff
- Failure to ensure direct-care staff wear surgical masks instead of cloth masks
- Failure to ensure quarantined residents have a private room

8. National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Data Reporting

James Joslin

- NHs must be reporting COVID+ cases at least every 7 days
- CMPs are being imposed if you haven't reported
- If having trouble reporting, contact <https://www.telligenqinqio.com/> for help

9. COVID-19 Focused Surveys (State and Federal)

James Joslin

- Close to being completed

10. Infection Control Consults

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- Call LTC, Acute Disease or Telligen with any infection control questions before you get a citation



11. Reporting Requirements

- Still must report COVID-19+ or suspected residents and/or staff to LTC and Acute Disease Services via [Form 283](#).

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Questions and Answers

Next Session July 15th, 2020 1:00 PM-2:30 PM