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National Healthcare Safety Network

Long-term Care COVID-19 Module

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Goals

- Augment case reporting to understand facility specific impact
- Identify resource needs and prioritize public health action

Data Elements

- Resident Impact and Facility Capacity
- Ventilator Capacity and Supplies
- Supplies and Personal Protective Equipment
- Staff and Personnel Impact
- Ventilator Capacity and Supplies

Resident Impact and Facility Capacity

Section 1: Resident Impact

 ADMISSIONS: Residents admitted or re-admitted who were previously hospitalized and treated for COVID-19
 CONFIRMED: Residents with new laboratory positive COVID-19
 SUSPECTED: Residents with new suspected COVID-19
 TOTAL DEATHS: Residents who have died in the facility or another location
COVID-19 DEATHS: Residents with suspected or laboratory positive COVID-19 who died in the facility or another location

Section 2: Facility Capacity and Laboratory Testing

 ALL BEDS (FIRST SURVEY ONLY)
 CURRENT CENSUS: Total number of beds that are currently occupied
TESTING: Does your facility have access to COVID-19 testing while the resident is in the facility? ☐ YES ☐ NO
If YES, what laboratory type? Select all that apply. □ State health department lab □ Private lab (hospital, corporation, academic institution) □ Other

Supplies & Personal Protective Equipment

Supply Item	Do you currently have adequate supply?	Do you have enough for next week?
	□ YES	□ YES
N95 masks	□NO	□ NO
	□ YES	□ YES
Surgical masks	□ NO	□ NO
	□ YES	□ YES
Eye protection, including face shields or goggles	□ NO	□NO
	□ YES	□ YES
Gowns	□ NO	□ NO
	□ YES	□ YES
Gloves	□ NO	□NO
	□ YES	□ YES
Alcohol-based hand sanitizer	□ NO	□ NO

Staff and Personnel Impact

	CONFIRMED: Staff and facility personnel currently with lab-confirmed COVID-19				
	SUSPECTED: Staff and facility personnel currently with suspected COVID-19 who are being managed as though they have it.				
	COVID-19 DEATHS: Staff and facility personnel with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 who died in the facility or another location				
Does your organization have a shortage of staff and/or personnel?					
Staffing Shortage?	Staff and Personnel Groups				
□ YES	Nursing Staff: registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, vocational nurse				
□ YES	Clinical Staff: physician, physician assistant, advanced practice nurse				
□ YES	Aide: certified nursing assistant, nurse aide, medication aide, and medication technician				
□ YES □ NO	Other staff or facility personnel, regardless of clinical responsibility or resident contact not included in the categories above (for example, environmental services)				

Ventilator Capacity & Supplies (if applicable)

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	MECHANICAL VENTILATORs: Total number of available in your facility					
MECHANICAL VENTILATORS IN USE: Total number of mechanical ventilators in use for residents that have suspected or lab-confirmed COVID-19						
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Ventilator Supplies						
Supply Item	Do you currently have adequate supply?	Do you have enough for next week?				
Ventilator supplies	□ YES	□ YES				
(any, including tubing)	□NO	□ NO				

Enrollment and Reporting

- Expedited SAMS credentialing for new users
- Existing users automatically have access
- Weekly data reporting
- Not all elements are required by CMS
- Enable group user reporting and data access
 - State and local health department
 - Conferral of rights by facilities <u>not required</u>
 - Long-term care corporation
 - Rights need to be conferred by facilities

Training and Support

- Web-based training
 - Recorded and posted on NHSN LTC webpage
- Forms and instructions
 - Posted on NHSN webpage
- Recurrent office hours
 - Replay pre-recorded web training followed by Q&A
- User Support Desk
 - Questions about enrollment, technical difficulties, group functions, etc.
- E-mail updates
 - Most up-to-date information from NHSN

Data Sharing with External Partners

- NHSN dashboard
 - Within application
 - Accessible to facilities and group users
- CDC webpage
 - Report aggregate national data
- File Sharing Software
 - SharePoint
 - ShareFile

Challenges

- Limited data collection
 - Gaps may be filled by other CDC response activities
- Variable data quality
- Several facilities not enrolled in NHSN
 - CMS will assist with communication and outreach
 - Will need help from partners
 - LTC provider associations
 - State and local health departments
 - QIN-QIOs

Questions?

