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LTC Update:

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IDOH Long-term Care Leadership Conference – Registration Open

The 2024 IDOH Long-term Care Leadership Conference, "Safe & Sound – Prioritizing Resident Safety in Nursing Homes," will be Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the Indiana Convention Center in downtown Indianapolis. The conference will also be offered virtually. Licensed comprehensive care facilities and representatives from long-term care provider organizations and interest groups are invited. All IDOH long-term care surveyors will also attend. Registration is open at https://www.ltcconferences.com/.



CMS Revises Plan of Correction Review and Approval Process

The June 6 CMS memo, Admin Info 244-14-ALL

(https://www.cms.gov/files/document/admin-info-24-14-all.pdf), is regarding citations requiring onsite revisits (those citations at G and above and F if substandard care). States should prioritize the revisit survey as the primary means of assessing compliance, rather than reviewing multiple submissions of a plan of correction (POC) for approval.

If the state is unable to approve a POC after two submissions by the facility, the state will call the facility to confirm their readiness and intention to request a revisit. An unannounced revisit will then be scheduled.

The date of compliance will be the POC completion date on the most recent POC submitted.

Free Virtual Courses for Skilled Nursing Facility Personnel

The Indiana Department of Health and the University of Indianapolis Center for Aging and Community are offering free virtual courses for skilled nursing facility personnel in subject areas relevant to the long-term care setting, such as pressure injury and prevention, emergency and disaster management, and abuse and neglect prevention. Below is a list of upcoming sessions.

Abuse and Neglect Prevention in Long Term Care - July 16

- Taught by Becky Bartle, MSN, RN, HFA
- Topics covered include human dignity for all persons, recognizing abuse and neglect, causes of abuse and neglect of residents, training for staff that prevents stressors, abuse by other residents, abuse by visitors/family members, preventing abuse and neglect and intervening, reporting abuse and neglect, and mechanisms to administratively monitor for potential abuse.

Each course offers long-term care specific examples. Courses will be offered at various times through May 2025. CEUs are available through the Indiana Department of Health for administrators and social workers.

For more information and to register, click on the corresponding course name above. These courses are funded through the Indiana Department of Health using Civil Money Penalty funds.

If you have any questions, please contact Leah Jones at the University of Indianapolis Center for Aging and Community at Jonesl001@uindy.edu.