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# LONG TERM CARE NEWSLETTER

**ISDH Long Term Care Newsletter**  
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**Today's Issue:**

- Fourth Emergency Order Granting Temporary Blanket Waivers for Comprehensive Care Facilities
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## **Fourth Emergency Order Granting Temporary Blanket Waivers for Comprehensive Care Facilities**

Pursuant to the “Declaration of Public Health Emergency for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Outbreak” issued by Governor Eric Holcomb on March 6, 2020 and as supplemented (the “Governor’s Declaration”), and as authorized by IC 4-21.5-4-1, IC 16-28-1-10, and the September 18, 1991 resolution of the Executive Board of the Indiana State Department of Health (“ISDH”), the Indiana State Health Commissioner hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

The following state requirements and procedures for licensed Indiana comprehensive care facilities are **WAIVED**, subject to the specific terms, conditions, and limits set forth below:

1. Provision of Services in Alternative Settings
2. Licenses – related to remodel, structural changes, and bed changes

[Complete signed order: FOURTH EMERGENCY ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY BLANKET WAIVERS FOR COMPREHENSIVE CARE FACILITIES](#)

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## **Social Isolation During COVID-19 Pandemic**

The Division of Aging recognizes the challenges that facilities, residents and staff are facing related to social connectivity during this difficult time. The attached letter has

additional resources that can help guide staff and residents during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Letter from Director of FSSA](#)

[Staying Connected During COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

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## **Personal Care Attendant (PCA) - Registry Spreadsheet**

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Division of Long Term Care and the Nurse Aide Registry is requesting that following the successful completion of PCA training the attached spreadsheet be used to submit the new PCAs name to the registry.

The spreadsheet should then be emailed to: [aides@isdh.in.gov](mailto:aides@isdh.in.gov)

[Personal Care Attendant – Registry Spreadsheet](#)

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## **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - Update**

The CDC has released the following updates:

- [Discontinuation of Transmission-Based Precautions and Disposition of Patients with COVID-19 in Healthcare Settings – Interim Guidance](#)
- [Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) Burn Rate Calculator](#)
- [Healthcare Professional Preparedness Checklist For Transport and Arrival of Patients with Confirmed or Possible COVID-19](#)
- [Resources for Hospitals and Healthcare Professionals Preparing for Patients with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19](#)