

LTC Newsletter 2021-45 Sept. 10, 2021

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COVID-19 Updated LTC SOP Guidance

Effective Sept. 13, the LTC COVID-19 standard operating procedure (SOP) guidance has been revised and is now in three documents:

- COVID-19 LTC Clinical Guidance
- Core Principles of Infection Control
- <u>COVID-19 Regulatory Visitation and Activities Guidance for Long-term Care</u>

IDOH COVID-19 IP Toolkit

The IDOH COVID-19 IP Toolkit has been revised. The toolkit contains two new documents:

- Infection Preventionist Facility Checklist for Outbreaks
- COVID-19 Control Measures 9.7.21

NOTE: New guidance from CDC/CMS is anticipated soon. At that time, IDOH will update the SOP guidance document accordingly.

Bowen Center – Staffing Support Information

Bowen has updated their process for hospitals, long-term care facilities, local health departments and any other health-related organization to request immediate workforce to help with the COVID-19 response. This program is available through a partnership of the Indiana Department of Health and the Bowen Center. Visit the IDOH website to submit a request: <u>Indiana COVID-19 Reserve</u> <u>Workforce Needs Request Form</u>

Langham Portal – Ordering Testing Supplies – Reminder

Information for ordering testing supplies: Instructions and Order Form

Data Submission Guidelines – Reminder

<u>Data Submission Guidelines</u> provides information for facilities to submit data correctly and accurately regarding their residents and staff.