

**Long Term Care Provider Call**

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Assisted Living/ /Residential Care Facilities/Adult Day

## 1. Welcome

Beverly Clark

- Session is being recorded.
- All participants are muted, please keep phones muted during the call.
- Q&A session – All participants should submit questions to [LTC@health.ok.gov](mailto:LTC@health.ok.gov), we will answer as many questions as time allows on the call
  - Online participants may post questions in the Q&A box, and questions will be answered in the FAQ document
  - Only questions sent to the LTC email box will be answered during the call
- Phone number 405.426.8200
- Fax Incidents/Form 283 to 1-866-239-7553.
- To request emails from Gov.Delivery.com email Diane Henry at [DianeH@health.ok.gov](mailto:DianeH@health.ok.gov) or email [LTC@health.ok.gov](mailto:LTC@health.ok.gov)
- Please join via Team
- **Reminders:**
  - **Guidance for Assisted Living/Adult Day Care/Residential Care** comes from CDC guidance and is considered the standard of care related to infection control for COVID-19.

## 2. Acute Disease Update

Jeneene Kitz/Rhonda McComas

- New HAI Mailbox – [HAI@health.ok.gov](mailto:HAI@health.ok.gov)
  - Submit the LMA Forms to this email
  - Indicate if your facility would like to have an onsite visit from the HAI team
- COVID-19 Numbers are increasing – (symptomatic – negative testing)
  - According to COVID Data Tracker--only 2 counties in the state not red at this time
  - Providers be cautious with symptomatic staff with negative results on rapid antigen tests.
    - Send staff home and retest in 24 to 48 hours per the instructions
    - Reduce the risk of lengthy exposures to other staff and residents
    - Antigen tests pick up the tiny proteins that make up the virus and sometimes there isn't enough present to trigger the testing threshold, but that doesn't mean they aren't contagious.
    - The PCR test is strong enough to pick up the virus
    - If symptomatic, and have a negative Antigen test, follow-up with a PCR test since more precise
- CDC – Enhanced Barrier Precautions—Updated PPE Guidance
  - Enhanced Barrier Precautions (EBP) is defined as nursing home staff using gowns and gloves during high contact care activities with residents at an increased risk of acquiring or spreading a Multi-Drug Resistant Organism (MDRO) to others.
  - Goal of EBP: To protect nursing home residents and staff from spreading MDROs, which can cause serious and hard to treat infections, while avoiding restrictions on resident activities or a need for private rooms, unlike Contact Precautions.
  - Specific updates: Expanded to include any residents with an indwelling medical device or wound, as well as residents with known infection or colonization with an MDRO.
  - Important reminder to follow conventional PPE strategies and change PPE between residents in a COVID cohort.
  - Updates were made due to increased risk of those caring for and around residents infected with an MDRO.
  - Useful/Links and Resources: Refer to the Q&A document for this call.
- For questions, contact Jeneene Kitz at: 405-426-8735 or Acute Disease at: 405-426-8710

### 3. Updates from LTC Service Director

Janene Stewart

- Overview of LTC Reportable Incidents
  - If abuse, neglect, or misappropriation is suspected, the incident would also need to be reported to Adult Protective Services.
  - For questions related to what is reportable, who to report the incidents to, and/or the timeframe to report, contact [LTC@health.ok.gov](mailto:LTC@health.ok.gov) or call: 405-426-8200.
- Nurse Aide Registry Updates
  - New Manager: Lindsey Jeffries
    - Contact info:
    - **Phone:** 405.426.8150
    - **Fax\*:** 405.900.7572
    - **Email\*:** [NAR@health.ok.gov](mailto:NAR@health.ok.gov)
  - Training and Certification for Nurse Aides
    - The training waiver expires 60 days from April 7, 2022. If the individual is already in training, they need to have their training completed and have been tested within the 120 days following the 60 days, which would be October 6, 2022.
    - The above timeline does not apply to newly hired employees.
- Reminders on State Reportables
  - Incident Report Form 283
    - In process of making form an electronic fillable form
    - Follow regulatory guidance for individual facility types
      - Assisted Living: 310:663-19-1
      - Residential Care: 310:680-3-6(c) and (d)
      - Adult Day Care: 310:605-15-7 (fire reporting)
- COVID-19 Transmission Levels as of 07/19/22
  - [National transmission level map](#)
  - [State map by county transmission levels](#)
  - [Community transmission level map](#)
  - Transmission rates may increase per county if individuals test in a different county than where they reside.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services link for monoclonal antibodies
  - <https://combatcovid.hhs.gov/possible-treatment-options-covid-19>
- OSDH LTC Preventative Medical Consultant District Map
  - Shayla Spriggs, Survey Manager
    - Ed Roth, PMC: Districts 1 through 4 and Tulsa
    - Zach Collins, PMC: Districts 5 through 9 and OKC
    - Refer to District color-coded map

### **Questions and Answers**

### **Next call to be announced**