

November 20, 2020

[CDC-NHSN](#) Long-term Care Facility COVID-19 Module

Summary of Modifications and Scheduled Information Sessions

Below is a summary of significant modifications for the LTCF COVID-19 Manual, which will go into effect on **November 23, 2020**. Please see page two for webinar information sessions scheduled for next week.

Modifications Impacting the *Resident Impact and Facility Capacity* and *Staff and Personnel Impact* Pathways:

1. *Suspected* removed as a data field and no longer a reporting option.
2. *Confirmed* data field name changed to *Positive Tests*. This change represents a data field/variable name change only. LTCFs must continue to report based on the current NHSN guidance, which is to count a newly positive SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) viral test result from an antigen or PCR test performed on a resident and/or staff and personnel regardless of test results from additional viral testing.
3. **Test Type** added as a sub-set of *Positive Tests*. This additional data field will capture the SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) viral test method(s) used. For example, the method used to identify the submitted *Positive Test*, as well as subsequent viral testing methods and results when performed within two days of the submitted *Positive Test*.
4. **Re-Infections** added as a sub-set of *Positive Tests*.
5. Additional data fields added to capture Influenza and other acute respiratory illness symptoms in presence and absence of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19).

Modifications Impacting the *Resident Impact and Facility Capacity* pathway only:

1. Removed questions related to COVID-19 viral testing and in-house point-of-care (POC) machines.
2. SARS-CoV-2 testing questions added to capture counts of COVID-19 POC and NON-POC viral tests (POC) performed on residents and staff and personnel.

Upcoming Information Sessions

Please join us to hear about the November changes to the **Resident Impact and Facility Capacity** and **Staff and Personnel Impact** COVID-19 Module pathways. Slides will not be immediately available, nor will a recording be posted on the website. However, multiple live sessions will be scheduled.

The following listen only information sessions are scheduled for the week of November 23, 2020.

****Please note the webinars have the same link. Attendees will be able to choose which session they are able to attend. All webinars are identical in content, so please plan to attend once.**

Topic: Office Hours: Review November changes to LTCF COVID-19 Module Pathways: Resident Impact and Facility Capacity and Staff and Personnel Impact

Date: Monday, Nov 23, 2020

Time: 11:00 – 11:45 AM ET

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_t7uwDyiwT8KYv7z3Dp9N-g

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Topic: Office Hours: Review November changes to LTCF COVID-19 Module Pathways: Resident Impact and Facility Capacity and Staff and Personnel Impact

Date: Monday, Nov 23, 2020

Time: 3:00 – 3:45 PM ET

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Topic: Office Hours: Review November changes to LTCF COVID-19 Module Pathways: Resident Impact and Facility Capacity and Staff and Personnel Impact

Date: Tuesday, Nov 24, 2020

Time: 11:00 – 11:45 AM ET

Register in advance for this webinar:

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