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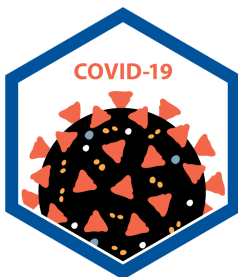
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Nursing Home Updates

Don't miss exclusive content on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

Updates, Events, and Resources

COVID-19



[Vaccination Mandate: Preparation Tips and Resources](#)

View tips and resources for nursing homes in response to the recent Biden administration announcement for all nursing home staff to be vaccinated against COVID-19 or risk losing Medicare and Medicaid funding.



[COVID-19 Crusher Trifecta Recognition Program](#)

The COVID-19 Crusher Trifecta Recognition Program celebrates accomplishments of nursing home staff who put residents' safety first.

COVID-19 Crusher organizations will receive a certificate of distinction, recognition on our website, and bragging rights on our social media accounts for each successful leg of the Trifecta program.

**IPRO QIN-QIO
Video Series**

[Value in Vaccination](#)

The Value in Vaccination video series shares an interactive conversation about getting vaccinated, including getting information, influencing factors, and building confidence.



Share our videos and companion conversation guides to help encourage discussion about the theme of each video.

Opioid & Pain Management



[Opioid & Pain Management Best Practices: Self Assessment](#)

Complete the self-assessment and we will send you an aggregate report in return.

Opioid & Pain Management Best Practices
[Sept. 22, 12-1PM EDT](#)

[Learn more and register](#) for a webinar featuring Joan Papp, MD and Jonathan Siff, MD as they discuss their naloxone initiative, recently published in the American Journal of Addiction.

Continuing medical education credit is available

IPRO QIN-QIO Video Series



[Nursing Home Naloxone Best Practices](#)

Our two-part video series shares best practices for opioid use and pain management from experts across our region.

The series focuses on naloxone sample policies from the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists Opioid Stewardship Toolkit and how a nursing home implemented naloxone utilization.

September is National Preparedness Month



[According to the State Operations Manual §483.73\(a\)](#), long-term care facilities must develop and maintain an **emergency preparedness plan**. Additionally, facilities must review and update this plan annually.

Have questions or need help?

Contact our [Nursing Home Team](#) for support!

Health Equity

[View the September Newsletter](#)



View the latest news, observances, events, and resources supporting efforts to eliminate health disparities.

National Partner Updates

COVID-19 Resources and Updates

- [View changes](#) to weekly NHSN COVID-19 vaccination data collection forms
- [Promote free CMS training](#) on infection prevention and control in your facility
- View our curated list of [COVID-19 vaccine confidence resources](#)

Upcoming Partner Events

- **[September 1 @ 3PM EDT: Partisan Divides & How to Improve Vaccination Rates](#)**
 - *CME, CNE, and Pharmacy CE credits available*
 - The [Indiana Immunization Coalition](#)-sponsored event features Brian Castrucci, DrPH, MA, discussing how partisan divides may be affecting herd immunity, and how to achieve the best public health outcomes.
- **[September 14 @ 10AM EDT: End-of-Life Decision Making](#)**
 - Join the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) for a lecture on an end-of-life communication intervention targeting patients with chronic illness and their family caregivers.
- **[September 15 @ 2PM EDT: Insights and Strategies for Reducing Suicide among Older Adults](#)**
 - In honor of Suicide Prevention Month, this webinar is raising awareness about suicide and highlighting strategies to help professionals, consumers, families, and communities understand the role they can play in promoting emotional well-being and preventing suicide.
- **[September 22: Pioneer Network's Envisioning the Future Symposium](#)**
 - *CE credits available*
 - Explore how to find meaning and purpose for those who live and work in senior living communities and how we can move forward in a way that ensures isolation becomes a thing of the past.
- **[September 23 @ 1PM: Panel on Rural Opioid Programs](#)**
 - CME and NYS Social Work CE credits are available for purchase after the event (\$20.00 fee).
 - Join the New York State Association for Rural Health and the New England Rural Health Association for a webinar panel presentation exploring the rural response to the U.S. opioid crisis.
- **[October 28-30, 2021: Anticoagulation Forum's 16th Annual Conference](#)**
 - *CE credits available*

- This forum provides an open discussion and education on advances in anticoagulant therapy and improved patient care.
- **[On-demand Interactive Training](#): Pathways to Safer Opioid Use**
 - *CME and CPE credits available*
 - This interactive training promotes appropriate, safe, and effective use of opioids to manage chronic pain.



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