

LeadingAge Need to Know: COVID-19 – July 23, 2020

We are sharing the very latest with members twice each weekday. Morning updates go out via email, and we're hosting daily online updates each weekday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. ET. [Register now](#). Visit the [main coronavirus page](#) anytime.

Following are the latest coronavirus news and resources.

Message From Katie: We're Not in January Anymore

LeadingAge president and CEO Katie Smith Sloan wrote a new message to members about adapting our strategic plan to reflect new realities our members are dealing with during the pandemic.

You probably remember the moment in the 1939 classic film, [The Wizard of Oz](#), when Dorothy Gale emerges from her old house, looks around her new technicolor world, and informs her dog, "I have a feeling we're not in Kansas anymore."

I had a similar feeling last week during the quarterly meeting of the LeadingAge Board of Directors. If my dog had been nearby, I might have told him, "I have a feeling we're not in January anymore."

[Read Katie's entire message on LeadingAge's strategic plan](#) and the outcomes we've identified to work on achieving over the next three years.

NEW Weekly Three-Minute Member Survey

We urgently need a weekly snapshot of the current state of funding, personal protective equipment, and testing among our membership. [Please answer these fast questions](#) to help us assure the reality on the ground is reflected clearly in the media. Thank you for your input!

New Insights and Tools From LeadingAge

LeadingAge staff experts are developing essential advocacy, guidance and tools, and curating the most relevant resources for aging services providers, including [Provider Relief Funds Reporting Timelines Announced](#). A complete [timeline of insights, tools, and useful links is available here](#), so you'll never miss an update.

Visioning Session

In this half-day Visioning Workshop, [Leveraging COVID Learnings to Shape Our Future](#), futurist Chris Cowart will use design thinking methodology to help LeadingAge members consider the potential opportunities and impact of the pandemic on the future of aging services.

Basic Care Aide Online Training Tool

LeadingAge's [Basic Care Aide Skill Competency Training Tool](#) is still available to help you maximize your workforce and maintain quality standards. Developed by EduCare®, the program provides a foundation for the skills of the Basic Care Aide in a variety of settings. The training tool is FREE to members and is [available now on the Learning Hub](#).

Questions? Ask LeadingAge National, Your State Association, or Each Other

There are many ways to get help during this crisis. Contact LeadingAge's national team directly or email us at covid@leadingage.org. If you have questions about local and state issues,

[contact your state association](#). Join the MyLeadingAge Member Community [COVID-19 group](#) to ask questions, access resources, and share best practices for dealing with the coronavirus.
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