

LeadingAge Need to Know: COVID-19 – September 2, 2020

We are sharing the very latest with members with weekday morning email updates and [live online updates](#) Mondays and Wednesdays. Visit the [main coronavirus page](#) anytime.

Following are the latest news and resources.

### **A Message From Katie**

LeadingAge president and CEO Katie Smith Sloan shares highlights from the 2019 LeadingAge Member Survey.

“This month, LeadingAge took a giant step forward in our multi-year effort to back up those great stories with great data. We released [Portrait of Our Members](#), a report filled with the valuable data we collected during our 2019 Member Survey.”

[Read Katie’s entire message](#) on the findings and the [5 settings the survey explored](#): nursing homes, assisted living, affordable housing, market-rate independent living, and home and community-based services.

### **Today’s Online Coronavirus Policy Update: Building Trust through COVID-19**

Join us today at 3:30 p.m. ET for the latest up-to-the-minute policy updates on the new CMS testing rule, antigen testing, provider relief, and more. Special guest Danny Williams, president & CEO of Eliza Bryant, the nation’s oldest African American-founded nursing home, will join us. Williams will share how they’re overcoming the current health crisis and Eliza Bryant’s history of building trust with residents and the community. If you’re not already registered for the calls, you can register [here](#).

### **Federal Eviction Moratorium Announced**

Yesterday, the CDC announced an “exceedingly rare” order to temporarily halt evictions for people impacted by COVID-19. Housing providers, including HUD-assisted senior housing, are prohibited from evicting residents under a certain income threshold for non-payment of rent until December 31. Rent payments are still due, and housing providers can still charge late fees. LeadingAge welcomes the new protections and we will work with federal agencies to provide accompanying relief for housing providers. Read [more about the order](#) here.

### **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:

- [National Academies Report Outlines Draft Priorities for COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
- [LeadingAge Members Respond to Disasters, COVID-19](#)
- [Point-of-Care Antigen Testing Overview](#) (UPDATED)

A complete [timeline of insights, tools, and useful links is available here](#), so you’ll never miss an update.

### **Collaborative Care Summit is Only 2 Weeks Away**

Don’t miss the virtual 2020 Collaborative Care & HIT Summit, September 15-17. The challenges of COVID-19 highlight the need for technologies in aging services, including telehealth and Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR). [Register today](#) to attend the premier health IT conference.

### **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](mailto: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.