

LeadingAge Need to Know: COVID-19 – September 8, 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.

New Report: Making Care Pay Work

As members on the front lines of the coronavirus pandemic know better than most, direct care workers are critically important to our nation's health—but they are not usually valued accordingly. A new LeadingAge study, Making Care Pay Work, offers a glimpse into a different world in which direct care workers earn at least a living wage. The research demonstrates that the single action of paying direct care workers a living wage has the power to reduce staff shortages and turn-over, improve productivity and quality of care, infuse billions of dollars into local economies, and offer financial security and independence of care workers themselves. [Read the full report now](#) before we launch to the field later this month.

Deadline Approaching: CARES Act Payments for Service Coordinators

CARES Act awards for grant-funded Service Coordinators are now available from HUD. The supplemental payments will be approximately 9% of operating budgets and applications for the payments are due by 9/11/20. LeadingAge posted [instructions to apply for the payments](#), and will host a call with HUD staff tomorrow, Wednesday, 9/8 at 2pm to answer member questions. Email jbilowich@leadingage.org to join the call.

Save \$50 on Registration: Collaborative Care Summit

Time is running out! With less than 2 weeks before the Summit begins on September 15, don't miss the chance to receive a **\$50 discount on your registration by using the discount code TSAP2020!** [Register today](#) for the virtual Summit to learn how tech solutions can transform aging and collaborative care now and into the future.

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 [Tips for Submitting Comments on the Testing Rule](#). A complete [timeline of insights, tools, and useful links is available here](#), so you'll never miss an update.

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.