COVID-19 in LTCF:
Keeping it out & keeping it together

May 19th 2pm ET/ 1pm CT

Welcome!

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We will get started shortly!
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<td>• Promote opioid best practices</td>
<td>• Reduce risky medication combinations</td>
<td>• Increase performance on ABCS clinical quality measures (i.e. aspirin use, blood pressure control, cholesterol management, cardiac rehab)</td>
<td>• Convene community coalitions</td>
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<td>• Decrease high dose opioid prescribing and opioid adverse events in all settings</td>
<td>• Reduce adverse drug events</td>
<td>• Smoking cessation</td>
<td>• Identify and promote optimal care for superutilizers</td>
<td>• Develop national baselines for healthcare related infections in nursing homes</td>
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<td>• Increase access to behavioral health services</td>
<td>• Reduce C. difficile in all settings</td>
<td>• Identify patients at high-risk for developing kidney disease and improve outcomes</td>
<td>• Reduce community-based adverse drug events</td>
<td>• Reduce emergency department visits and readmissions of short stay residents</td>
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Objectives

• By the end of this session, you will be able to:

  – The learner will be able to describe methods for DPH LTCF outreach

  – The learner will be able to describe additional COVID-19 resources which can enhance infection prevention efforts.
Personal Connections

• What is your role at your facility?
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Department of Public Health (DPH) LTCF activities

• Infection Control Assessment and Readiness Surveys
  – LTCF with no identified COVID-1

• Infection Prevention and Control Response Surveys
  – LTCF with COVID-19 staff or residents
Communications

• Letter from Commissioner Toomey

• Transfer communication

• LTCF ABHR Memo and FAQ- coming soon
Recent CDC releases

• LTCF Mini webinars
  – Sparkling Surfaces - https://youtu.be/t7OH8ORe5lg
  – Closely Monitor Residents - https://youtu.be/1ZbT1Njv6xA

• Creating a COVID-19 unit: Responding to Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Nursing Homes

• Testing for Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Nursing Homes
Questions
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# Upcoming Events

**Nursing Homes**  
Tuesdays, 2pm ET/1pm CT

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<td>Assessing and Reducing Opioid Prescribing in Long Term Care</td>
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<td>July 21st, 2020</td>
<td>Managing Behavioral Challenges In Long Term Care to Prevent Hospitalization</td>
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<td>August 18th, 2020</td>
<td>Initiating an Effective Medication Reconciliation Program</td>
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<td>September 15th, 2020</td>
<td>High risk medication use and quality practices to prevent ADE</td>
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<td>October 20th, 2020</td>
<td>Understanding and using QAPI elements in day to day care processes</td>
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**Community Coalitions**  
Thursdays, 12:30 pm ET/11:30am CT

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<td>Population Health Assessments: Identifying Hidden Risks</td>
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<td>Using SBIRT for Effective Screening and Referral to Treatment</td>
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<td>Opioid Use in the Aging Population</td>
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