FAQs for Long Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

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Today’s Overview

- Updates: Travel Guidance for Staff, PPE Request Form, COVID-19 Positive Staff
- Last Week’s FAQ Follow-up
- CRSSSP Overview at 12:45
- Audience Q&A
Travel Guidance for Staff

- Do not permit non-essential international and out-of-state domestic business travel (e.g., conferences, meetings)

- Discourage personal
  - International travel, (including Canada),
  - Travel on cruise ships
  - Domestic travel outside of NH, ME, and VT

- Avoid domestic travel by public conveyances (e.g., bus, train, plane)

- Staff should quarantine for 14 days after:
  - Any international travel
  - Travel on a cruise
  - Travel on public conveyances outside of NH, VT, or ME
  - Other domestic travel risk can be assessed by Occ Med on a case-by-case basis
Staff Screening Questions (1)

- Do you have any symptoms of COVID-19?
  - Fever (of 100.4 degrees F or higher)
  - Respiratory symptoms such as runny nose, sore throat, cough, or shortness of breath
  - General body symptoms such as muscle aches, chills, and severe fatigue
  - Changes in a person’s sense of taste or smell
Staff Screening Questions (2)

- Have you had any close contact with someone who is suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
  - Note: healthcare workers caring for COVID-19 patients while wearing appropriate personal protective equipment should answer “no”
- Have you traveled in the past 14 days either:
  1. Internationally (outside the U.S., including Canada);
  2. By cruise ship; or,
  3. Domestically (within the U.S.) outside of NH, VT, or ME on public transportation (e.g., bus, train, plane, etc.)?
New PPE Request Form

DHHS PPE Request Form – COVID 19

Facility Name *

https://prd.blogs.nh.gov/dos/hsem/?page_id=8673
What to do when staff test positive?

- Resources to Help Facilities Plan and Respond to COVID-19 Positive Test Results Among Staff
  - Outlines return to work criteria
  - Includes an important note on negative test results
    - A negative test result during quarantine does not reduce the 14-day quarantine
  - Guidelines for crisis staffing
    - Consult with your case investigator prior to implementing any crisis staffing
Last Week’s FAQ Follow-up