

CORONAVIRUS MEMBER BRIEFING: MDS Coding and Fincial Relief Webinars and Resources April 16, 2020

OF SPECIAL NOTE

LeadingAge Oregon Weekly COVID-19 Call Friday, April 17 at 3:30 pm

Be sure to join us on Friday for our weekly LeadingAge Oregon COVID-19 check-in call. This week Steve Hopkins, facilitator of our Leadership Academy, will join us to talk about leadership in challenging times. We will also take time to hear from those on the call, please be sure to bring your questions and ideas to share about anything COVID-19 related.

https://zoom.us/j/213203707

Dial in 1 669 900 6833 Meeting ID: 213 203 707

RESOURCES & TOOLS

Communicating About COVID-19

As the COVID-19 pandemic grows, it is crucial that members maintain transparent communication about positive cases with staff, residents, and families. LeadingAge national created <u>templates you can use to share important information</u>.

Meanwhile, LeadingAge national is <u>speaking out in the media every day</u> to carry forward the truth about the incredible work you are doing in the face of this global pandemic. We're fielding a record number of inquiries from national and trade press and have created crisis communications materials to help you do the same. Here is a guide you can use to prepare for a COVID-19 outbreak in your community.

The Guide to MDS Codes During COVID-10 – Free Webinar

Demi Haffenreffer, who teaches our MDS classes, is offering a free webinar on the MDS codes most significant during the COVID-19 pandemic. The webinar will include:

- Review CMS waivers for completion
- Review section I0020B-COVID ICD 10 code
- Review of section O0100M and Isolation/Quarantine for active Infectious Disease

Learn more <u>here</u>. Register <u>here</u>.

The CARES Act and Other Financial Relief – Free Webinar

The CARES Act provides significant relief for all businesses, including those providing long-term care and senior living services. Although people initially focused on the expansion of the payroll protection

program (PPP) loans, other important relief provisions are available. Please join us for a webinar next week moderated by <u>Gabi Sanchez</u> at which:

- <u>Joe Greenman</u> will give an update on developments in Washington, D.C. that impact long-term
 care and senior living business, including the possible enactment of the fourth coronavirus relief
 bill.
- <u>Eric Kodesch</u> will summarize the following tax relief provisions in the CARES Act: the employee retention credit, the deferred due date of the employer portion of social security taxes, and the relaxation of rules limiting the deductibility of net operating losses and interest.
- <u>Greg Pyle</u> will summarize favorable loans available under the CARES Act, including Main Street Lending Program loans.

Date and time will be announced once the details are finalized.

COVID-19 Grants, Loans & Advance Funding Opportunities for Not-for-Profit Providers

Recent federal legislation has provided some additional or accelerated funding that can be accessed by not-for-profit (NFP) service providers impacted by COVID-19. This funding takes the form of provider relief grants, advance Medicare payments, FEMA grants and potentially forgivable small business loans available now. While the small business opportunities are generally for organizations with 500 or fewer workers, there are certain nuances to this criterion. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act also targets significant funding for larger businesses although those programs are still in development. See the full document here with Funding Program Overviews of the many different programs as well as a Quick Reference Guide. (Particularly note the FEMA Grants.)

Free Variety Shows to Share with Residents

Donna Cutting with Red-Carpet Learning Systems has offered the following Virtual Variety Shows to share with your residents. Donna, who is a speaker and trainer in the senior living field, said, "They are FREE of Charge, and I have not added my logo or website or anything like that. This is not about publicity - this is something I can do to help! The response from people on my list has been awesome, and it occurred to me that you may be able to help me get them out to a wider group of senior living communities."

Here's the Link to the First Virtual Variety Show

Here's the Link to the Second Virtual Variety Show

Use them in a variety of ways:

- 1. Download and stream on closed-circuit television.
- 2. Download and share on individual ipads.
- 3. Email to residents with email addresses.
- 4. If you have large rooms for distanced activities download and show to groups that way.