



**MEMBER BRIEFING:
Provider Relief Fund Update, HUD Guidance
April 27, 2020**

OF SPECIAL NOTE

Provider Relief Fund Update

New information was posted on the HHS CARES Act Provider Relief Fund website. The Department of Health and Human Services added a new post over the weekend that now includes a [General Distribution FAQ](#), which provides more clarity on what providers need to do if they have received funds under the general distributions to Medicare providers. LeadingAge national reviewed and posted [this article](#) with the new information and updated the [Provider Relief Background, Considerations and FAQ document](#).

- The new FAQ document discusses attestations, and the specific financial information providers who have received funds must provide in order to retain dollars. Interestingly, by submitting this information, these providers could be eligible to receive additional funds beyond those payments already received.
- While there is no new information on the status of distributing funds to Medicaid-only providers, it does state that just because a provider has not yet received a payment does not mean they are ineligible or won't receive a payment. "HHS is performing an ongoing assessment of how to distribute relief to these providers."

HUD Rental Guidance for Tenants of Federally Assisted Housing

HUD developed and disseminated a brochure for tenants within HUD federally assisted housing to provide them with important information about paying rent during the COVID-19 national emergency. The brochure encourages tenants to talk with their landlords right away about a possible rent reduction if the tenant has loss of income. Access the brochure [here](#).

RESOURCES & TOOLS

Virtual Tours - World-Famous Monuments, Museums, and More

Google Arts & Culture teamed up with over [2500 museums and galleries](#) around the world to bring you virtual tours and online exhibits of some of the most famous museums around the world. [Here](#), we have linked you directly to 12 virtual tours and exhibits that were reviewed in an article from Travel and Leisure.

COVID-19 and Trauma Informed Care: Strategies for Caregivers - Complimentary Webinar April 30

For most people, COVID-19 will be associated with **increased uncertainty and stress**. When we are under stress, we are more likely to trigger the "survival" or "fight or flight" responses in our brain. For some, this may mean difficulty with executive functions, for others, difficulty managing emotional responses, and for others, it may mean difficulty making decisions. How we respond to COVID is individualized. **The global pandemic is affecting us as healthcare workers and the residents whom we serve. How should we as staff care for and approach our residents? How should we approach our**

staff? And how will our future interactions be affected? This session will review these concepts and more as we look at using a trauma-informed approach to address the COVID pandemic.

Dr. Kathleen Weissberg, MS, OTD, OTR/L, CMDCP, CDP
Education Director, Select Rehabilitation

Date: Thursday, April 30th

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Pacific

Interactive GoToMeeting Webinar [Registration](#) Register Today!

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

Date: Tuesday, May 5

Time: 2:00-3:00 pm

Learn more [here](#). Register [here](#).

More Learning Opportunities from LeadingAge Centers

The LeadingAge Knowledge Center continues to add new content to help you navigate the COVID-19 crisis. Access these resources for free on the [LearningHub Coronavirus page](#). The LearningHub includes many timely QuickCasts, including:

- [Telehealth, Telemedicine and Remote Patient Monitoring](#)
- [Purposeful Reflection: Leading Through Uncertainty](#)
- [Creating Calm: Simple Activities for Stressful Times](#)
- [Supporting Social Connectedness through Technology](#)
- [Engagement in a Time of Quarantine](#)
- [Crisis Communications: Messaging Negative Publicity](#)