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To: All Long Term Care Facilities (SNF, ICF, ALF, and RCF), Adult Day Care programs, and Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF-IID)

From: MO Department of Health and Senior Services- Division of Community and Public Health and Division of Regulation and Licensure

Subject: COVID- 19 Reporting

As testing in long-term care (LTC) facilities has expanded with the addition of point-of-care testing kits in recent months, the state has likewise expanded the avenues through which data is collected. Given the additional modes of entry for COVID-19 data, the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services wants to offer clear guidelines for facilities so they can correctly and accurately submit data regarding their residents and staff.

Data Sources for COVID-19 Related Data Submission

The table and chart below outline the various pathways LTC facilities submit COVID-19 related data to the state and federal governments.

DHSS requires facilities report to the following systems, which are focused on patient-level testing information:

➢ Electronic COVID-19 Case Reporting (row 1 below)

➢ Long Term Care Facility COVID-19 Outbreak Testing Data Reporting (row 2 below)

➢ COVID-19 Point of Care (POC) Test Reporting (row 5 below)

   o Certified nursing homes (SNF/NFs) are exempt from this reporting beginning November 10, 2020 and should begin reporting point-of-care testing to NSHN directly* (Row 4 below)

In addition, the federal government (the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services) requires all certified nursing homes (SNF/NFs) to submit facility specific data to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) (Row 3) on a weekly basis.

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Facilities enrolling in NHSN for the first time should follow the 5-Step Enrollment for Long-term Care Facilities instructions. **Enrolled facilities should not re-enroll.** Read through the information on the NHSN web page and watch the video regarding Intro to NHSN, before you begin the enrollment process. Please note there are two enrollment processes; one for the facility and one for a user. The user must have level 3 Security Access (Grid Card) in order for them to "Join the Missouri Group" so DHSS can access the data for download. Facilities that have limited access to the COVID-19 Module only (specifically, no SAMS grid card), should click Increasing LTCF SAMS Level Access to NHSN or contact NHSN@cdc.gov for assistance.

	Reporting Process/Form	System	Purpose/Description	Required? For Whom?	Time Frame
1	Electronic COVID-19 Case Reporting	REDCap: DHSS	Reporting form for all positive case results, including staff and residents. **This includes POC and PCR testing.**	Yes, for all SNF, ICF, RCF, ALF, ICF-IID and Adult Day Care	Within 24 hours of positive result
2	Long Term Care Facility COVID-19 Outbreak Testing Data Reporting	REDCap: DHSS	Reporting portal for **outbreak** testing dates, number of residents and staff tested.	Yes, for all SNF, ICF, RCF, ALF, and ICF-IID.	Within 24 hours of testing
3	NHSN LTCF COVID-19 Module	Web Portal: Managed by NHSN	NHSN-required fields solely for certified nursing homes (SNF/NFs).	Yes, for all certified SNF/NF. Voluntary for any state licensed only facility (RCF/ALF/Adult Day Care) or ICF-IID.	Weekly, with a preference for submission on the same day each week
4	NHSN Point of Care Laboratory Reporting Tool	Web Portal: NHSN	POC test reporting that includes both positive and negative POC test results (even if potentially a false positive).	Yes, for all certified SNF/NF. Voluntary for any state licensed only facility (RCF/ALF/Adult Day Care) or ICF-IID.	Within 24 hours of result of POC test
5	Electronic COVID-19 Laboratory Reporting	Secure File Transfer/CSV file: DHSS	POC test reporting that includes both positive and negative POC test results (even if potentially a false positive).	Yes, for any facility not reporting to NHSN in Row 4	Within 24 hours of result of POC test