The John A. Hartford Foundation: Mission and Priorities
Terry Fulmer, President

Dedicated to Improving the Care of Older Adults

Priority Areas:

- Age-Friendly Health Systems
- Family Caregiving
- Serious Illness & End of Life
Supporting Nursing Homes During COVID-19: How Philanthropy can Partner with Government and the Field to Support Solutions: Convening

JAHF Role as Convener:

• Foundations, government, academics, professional/trade associations, other experts
• Rapid coalescence and information exchange
• Continuing touchpoints for improved messaging and organization
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New Rapid Response Network:
- JAHF supporting Institute for Healthcare Improvement with national NH/LTC leaders
- Daily 20-minute Nat’l Nursing Home Huddles
- Policy & data updates + clinical/operational support

Topics:
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Testing capacity for both residents and staff
- Staff illness, attrition, and well-being
- Managing transfers to and from EDs/hospitals
- Visitation restrictions
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National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Report on Nursing Home Quality & Safety:

- 18-month study to develop set of consensus findings and recommendations to ensure safety of nursing home residents and staff
- Special emphasis on public health impact of pandemics on nursing home care
Supporting Nursing Homes During COVID-19: Recent Policy Announcements/Reactions

CMS New Independent Commission on Nursing Homes – 4/3
• Will make recommendations to CMS on short and longer-term needs
• To include industry experts, family members, clinicians, advocates, ethicists, administration, academicians, infection control and prevention professionals, state and local authorities, other experts

New Nursing Homes COVID-19 Transparency Effort – 4/19
• Requires informing residents/families of cases and deaths
• Direct reporting to CDC, as well as to state and local depts
• CDC will provide reporting tool and will make data public
Thank you!

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