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Ask Members of Congress to Support a National Nursing Home Medical Director Registry

Nursing homes are on the front lines of the response to the COVID-19 pandemic, accounting for a large proportion of cases and deaths. Unfortunately, there is no public listing of nursing home medical directors, impeding the ability of public health agencies to assist them with preparation and response. Urge your members of Congress to sign on to a letter to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Administrator Seema Verma asking her to create a nursing home registry of medical directors. Take action now!

Yesterday's Headlines:

News Reports

• Cuomo under fire for response to Covid-19 at nursing homes
• Differentiating COVID-19 from other infections: Notes from an outpatient clinic
• Lab cautions nursing homes against inaccuracy of newer, ‘cheaper’ test kits
• After Recovery From the Coronavirus, Most People Carry Antibodies
• U.S. needs better technology to test for COVID-19: top health official
• Trump administration pushed use of remdesivir, but unequal rollout angers doctors

Wall of Caring

All funds raised at the 2020 Wall of Caring will support further outreach and COVID-19 resources in the PALTC setting. AMDA is committed to providing the most reliable and up-to-date information and resources.
• Three potential futures for Covid-19: recurring small outbreaks, a monster wave, or a persistent crisis
• LTC Defers 7% of April Rent Amid COVID Strains, Sues Senior Care Centers Over Ownership Change
• In a COVID-19 Hotbed, Nursing Home CEO Says Industry ‘100% On Our Own’ for Testing, Transfers
• COVID-19 Daily: Be Wary of New Treatments, HCW Infections
• What needs to go right to get a coronavirus vaccine in 12-18 months

Journal Articles
• BMJ: Viral load dynamics and disease severity in patients infected with SARS-CoV-2 in Zhejiang province, China, January-March 2020: retrospective cohort study
• Phone Hygiene Could Reduce Coronavirus Spread in Healthcare Settings, Doctors Suggest
• JAMA: Changes in SARS-CoV-2 Positivity Rate in Outpatients in Seattle and Washington State, March 1-April 16, 2020
• Patient Follow-up after Discharge after COVID-19 Pneumonia: Considerations for Infectious Control
• Next-Generation Matrices and Basic Reproductive Numbers for All Phases of the Coronavirus Disease

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