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Headlines:

New/Updated Guidance

- Final Report of the Coronavirus Commission on Safety and Quality in Nursing Homes
- CMS: Nursing Home Visitation - COVID-19

News Reports

- How could nursing homes have done better?
- Inside a Nursing Home Devoted to Treating Those With Covid-19
- Federal Nursing Home Commission Calls on CMS to Adopt 27 Recommendations, ‘Reduce Suffering’
- Investigating Whether Blood Type Is Linked to COVID-19 Risk
- The Science of Persuasion Offers Lessons for COVID-19 Prevention
- Report: Much needs doing to shield nursing homes from virus
- WI Election officials refuse to allow deputies in nursing homes
- Reporting requirements tied to federal COVID aid remain uncertain for assisted living operators
- How to prepare for flu season during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Pandemic isolation has killed thousands of Alzheimer’s patients while families watch from afar
- UM Researchers Working on Nasal Spray to Block COVID-19
• Nursing homes face threats of citations, penalties if they restrict visitor access without good cause
• A major step forward or lacking teeth? COVID-19 report prompts range of emotions
• Michigan emergency staffing program ‘critical’ for nursing homes during health emergencies

**Journal Articles**

• JAMDA: Predictors of in-hospital mortality in older patients with COVID-19: The COVIDAge Study
• Vulnerability of Black Aging Adults
• MMWR: Serial Testing for SARS-CoV-2 and Virus Whole Genome Sequencing Inform Infection Risk at Two Skilled Nursing Facilities with COVID-19 Outbreaks — Minnesota, April–June 2020
• MMWR: Association Between CMS Quality Ratings and COVID-19 Outbreaks in Nursing Homes — West Virginia, March 17–June 11, 2020
• MMWR: Preventing COVID-19 Outbreaks in Long-Term Care Facilities Through Preemptive Testing of Residents and Staff Members — Fulton County, Georgia, March–May 2020
• Up Is Down — Pharmaceutical Industry Caution vs. Federal Acceleration of Covid-19 Vaccine Approval
• Atypical presentations of COVID-19 in care home residents presenting to secondary care: A UK single centre study

**Podcasts/Webinars**

• Live Q&A: CMS-CDC Fundamentals of COVID-19 Prevention for Nursing Home Management. Thursday, September 24, 2020, 4 PM ET
• Covid-19 and Long-term Recovery

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