March 9, 2021

PALTC21 starts tonight with Shark Tank at 7:00 PM. You don’t have to be a registrant to participate. But there is still time to register for the conference. Make sure to review the full schedule for descriptions of general sessions on COVID-19 and LTSS Reform Priorities and Possibilities, the Society’s Top Policy Issues of 2021, and More Than Survival: Thriving Post-Traumatic Growth. There are also sessions on topics such as telehealth, pandemic ethics, transitions of care, management of common infections and beyond, a culture of nursing home racism, and more. And since your registration includes all session recordings—like last year—you can go back and listen to sessions of interest later on.

Headlines:

New/Updated Guidance

- CDC: Ensuring Access to COVID-19 Vaccine in Long-Term Care Facilities

Journal Articles

- JAMDA: Shifting U.S. Patterns of COVID-19 Mortality by Race and Ethnicity from June-December 2020
- Persistent challenges of COVID-19 in skilled nursing facilities: The administrator perspective
- Neutralizing Activity of BNT162b2-Elicited Serum
- The Devastating Impact of Covid-19 on Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities in the United States
- MMWR: Body Mass Index and Risk for COVID-19–Related Hospitalization, Intensive Care Unit Admission, Invasive

AMDA’s PALTC21 Virtual Annual Conference is next week! If you haven’t already, register now to join your colleagues.

New This Year at PALTC21:

- Kick-Off Event: A fun, meaningful opportunity to meet colleagues and build
Mechanical Ventilation, and Death — United States, March–December 2020

- Psychological predictors of protective behaviours during the Covid-19 pandemic: Theory of planned behaviour and risk perception
- SARS-CoV-2 evolution in animals suggests mechanisms for rapid variant selection

Research Reports/White Papers
- GAO: COVID-19: Key Insights from GAO’s Oversight of the Federal Public Health Response
- New Study of Coronavirus Variants Predicts Virus Evolving to Escape Current Vaccines, Treatments

Podcasts/Webinars
- COVID-19 Grand Rounds: The Who, What and How of Monoclonal Antibody Treatments. Thursday, March 4, 2021, 6:00 PM-7:00 PM ET
- COCA Call: What Every Clinician Should Know about COVID-19 Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness and How to Address Patient Questions and Concerns. Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM ET
- Supporting Nursing Home Staff Well-Being: During and After the Pandemic, Thursday, March 11, 2021, 2 PM-3 PM ET

News Reports
- Abbott’s test to distinguish coronavirus and flu viruses gets U.S. authorization
- Even before COVID-19, US nursing homes were filling empty beds with psychiatric patients
- Plan for 2021 and Beyond: Caring, Healing, and Building a Better Future for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care
- Reopening of long-term care facilities is ‘an absolute necessity for our well-being’
- Still Work to Do: Nonrural providers, affordable senior housing operators need help, LeadingAge says
- Five-Day Course of Oral Antiviral Appears to Stop SARS-CoV-2 in Its Tracks
- Pennsylvania extends nursing-home virus response program
- Immune interference – why even ‘updated’ vaccines could struggle to keep up with emerging coronavirus strains
• The Pandemic's Future Hangs in Suspense - A new surge has not yet shown up in the case numbers, but cases could be declining at a slower rate.

• ’Balance has tipped’: It’s time to ease up on visitation regulations, nursing homes tell feds

• Nursing Homes, Once Hotspots, Far Outpace U.S. in Covid Declines

• Moderna ready to test version of Covid-19 vaccine aimed at worrisome variant

• Everyone is Right About What’s Wrong with American Nursing Homes

• Industry awaits long-term care-specific guidance as CDC relaxes restrictions for fully vaccinated people

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• Revised CDC mask, visitation, quarantine guidance applies to staff — outside of work

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