

CORONAVIRUS COMMISSION ON SAFETY & QUALITY IN NURSING HOMES

Presentation to PA Department of Aging LTC Council

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PRESENTATION OBJECTIVE

Provide an update on the purpose, focus and timeline of the national Coronavirus Commission on Safety & Quality in Nursing Homes.

COMMISSION OBJECTIVES

- Identify best practices for facilities to enable **rapid and effective identification and mitigation of transmission of COVID-19** and other infectious diseases in nursing homes.
- Recommend best practices as exemplars of **rigorous infection control practices and facility resiliency** that can serve as a framework for enhanced oversight and quality monitoring activities.
- Endeavor to identify best practices for **improved care delivery and responsiveness to the needs of all nursing home residents** in preparation for, during, and following an emergency.
- **Leverage new sources of data to improve existing infection control policies and enable coordination** across federal surveyors, contractors, and state and local entities to mitigate coronavirus infection and future emergencies

COMMISSION MEMBERS

25 national experts

Background representation

Nursing home administrators

Infection control professionals

Resident and family members/advocates

Medical ethicists

Nursing professionals

Physicians

Psychologists

Survey agency representatives

Policy experts

COMMISSION TIMELINE

June 2020 – Convened

June – August 2020 – Ongoing virtual meetings

July 2020 – Public input

September 1, 2020 – Report

Website - MITRE

<https://sites.mitre.org/nhcovidcomm/>