

ASPR TRACIE Technical Assistance Request

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Request:

The requestor asked for resources that highlight lessons learned from skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Response:

The ASPR TRACIE Team reviewed existing resources, including those on our [COVID-19 Long Term Care Resources](#) page. We also conducted a search online for relevant materials.

Please refer to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's [Coronavirus Disease 2019 webpage](#) for the most up-to-date clinical guidance on COVID-19 outbreak management.

I. COVID-19 Lessons Learned for Skilled Nursing Facilities

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2020). [Nursing Homes and Assisted Living \(Long-term Care Facilities\). Infection Prevention Success Stories.](#)

This web page provides lessons learned from long-term care and nursing home facilities related to COVID-19 response. Experiences from these facilities include practical approaches and solutions that can be used to protect staff and residents.

Flynn, M. (2020). [Lessons from Nursing Homes in COVID Hotspots: Secure a Lab Now — and Proceed Carefully on Visitation.](#) Skilled Nursing News.

This article provides lessons learned from nursing homes on the East Coast such as ensuring there is laboratory capacity on hand for testing and implementing steps to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Lasek, A. (2020). [Handling COVID-19 in Nursing Facilities: AMDA Offers Lessons from New York State.](#) McKnight's Long-term Care News.

This article includes best practice recommendations for reducing the spread of COVID-19 in SNFs based on lessons learned in New York State.

Morris, S.C., Resnick, A.T., England, S.A., et al. (2020). [Lessons Learned from COVID-19 Outbreak in a Skilled Nursing Facility, Washington State](#). Wiley Online Library.

This article provides lessons learned from a SNF in Washington State, which was one of the first major sites of the COVID-19 outbreak in the U.S. It addresses the importance of a coordinated response between emergency medical services and local area hospitals.

Perling, L., and Gelfman, J. (2020). [COVID-19 and Long-Term Care: Best Practices and Lessons Learned](#). Cosmos.

The authors describe detrimental actions that occurred in a SNF in Washington State, which was one of the first hotspots of the COVID-19 outbreak in the U.S. The article addresses lessons learned and provides guidance for long-term care facilities, hospices, and home health agencies.

Penn State Project ECHO, and Pennsylvania Department of Human Services. (2020). [COVID-19: Skilled Nursing Facilities: Lessons Learned Webinar](#).

Speakers in this webinar discuss the lessons learned from their response to COVID-19 in SNFs in Pennsylvania.

Resnick, B. (2020). [COVID-19 Lessons Learned from the Voices of our Geriatric Nurses: Leadership, Resilience, and Heroism](#). Geriatric Nursing.

The author describes her experience working with geriatric patients in nursing facilities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sallinger, M. (2020). [Health Officials are Reflecting on the Lessons Learned from Battling COVID-19 Outbreaks in Nursing Homes](#). 9News.

This article addresses the experience and lessons learned from COVID-19 outbreaks in nursing homes in Colorado.

Woodall, C., and Prose, J.D. (2020). [Costly COVID-19 Mistakes: Pennsylvania Nursing Homes in Midst of Second Wave of COVID-19](#). York Daily Record.

This article provides an account of the mistakes made and lessons learned by nursing home staff during the response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Pennsylvania.