

April 20, 2023

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Dear Provider:

RE: COVID-19 Response: Michigan-Specific COVID-19 Reporting Requirements for Skilled Nursing Facilities

On April 21, 2020, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) implemented requirements for all licensed Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) to report specific COVID-19 surveillance data elements identified by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) directly to MDHHS through EMResource, an enhanced reporting system.

Pursuant to the expiration of the public health emergency (PHE) on May 11, 2023, MDHHS has updated COVID-19 reporting requirements for all licensed SNFs. Effective May 12, 2023, SNFs are no longer required to report COVID-19 specific data elements to MDHHS through EMResource and must return to standard communicable disease reporting. The last date that SNFs are expected to complete reporting into the EMResource “COVID-19 LTC NHSN Report” board will be May 10, 2023.

Therefore, this letter ends the requirements listed in previously issued L letters on the topic of SNF COVID-19 reporting, including: [L 20-24](#), [L 20-25](#), [L 20-32](#), [L 20-65](#), and [L 21-33](#).

Standard Communicable Disease Reporting

SNFs must return to standard [communicable disease reporting requirements](#), including reporting positive test results/cases and suspected outbreaks to their local health departments (LHDs).

Care and Recovery Center Program Reporting

SNFs that are part of the MDHHS Care and Recovery Center (CRC) program will still be required to report weekly program monitoring data elements to the State through the EMResource reporting system on the “COVID-19 LTC CRC Report” board, in accordance with the [MDHHS Designated Care and Recovery Center Reporting Data Instructions](#) beyond the expiration of the PHE on May 11, 2023.

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National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Reporting

MDHHS will no longer continue to transmit facility-reported COVID-19 data sets to NHSN on the facility's behalf via EMResource pass-through. Facilities that have relied on MDHHS to submit COVID-19 surveillance data submission to NHSN via EMResource pass-through to meet federal requirements will be responsible for directly submitting their COVID-19 surveillance data into the NHSN reporting platform as outlined by federal reporting guidelines. SNFs must ensure they have access to the NHSN reporting system to meet federal reporting requirements, prior to May 12, 2023.

Questions regarding the information contained within this letter should be directed to MDHHS-MSA-COVID19@michigan.gov.

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Sincerely,



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