



CORONAVIRUS MEMBER BRIEFING:

April 1, 2020

OF SPECIAL NOTE

Webinar - 10:00 a.m.

Join Lane Powell employment attorneys [Christine Thelen](#) and [Mike Kitson](#) and regulatory attorneys [Gabi Sanchez](#) and [Carin Marney](#) to discuss the implications of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA). They will discuss the Department of Labor's recent guidance on the FFCRA, including who is a "health care provider" excluded from paid sick leave and expanded FMLA leave, and what this means if you operate a skilled nursing facility, assisted living or independent living community. They also will discuss other relevant employment issues such as how the FFCRA coordinates with state and local leave laws and unemployment benefits, testing employees, staffing shortages, and managing employees who test positive for or are exposed to COVID-19.

This webinar will cover not only federal law, but both Oregon and Washington state specific employment issues. *This webinar is Free to LeadingAge Oregon members.* Please see [here](#) for the registration and more information.

LeadingAge Oregon Weekly Member Webinar/Call-In - 3:30 p.m.

Please join us for the **LeadingAge Oregon Member Weekly COVID-19 Update**. This week we look forward to having **Mike McCormick, Interim Director of Aging and People with Disabilities Program (APD) at DHS**, join us on the call. Mike will share the latest information from the State relating to COVID-19. It will be an opportunity for you to ask questions, seek guidance, share with him about the issues/concerns you are dealing with and where there might be some regulatory relief. Plus, these calls are a great way to connect with your colleagues and ask questions of one another.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/213203707>

Call in: 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 213 203 707

STATE NEWS

APD Issues Temporary Rate Increase Effective Today

Welcome news was given today to all nursing and community based care providers in recognition of the increased expenses providers are experiencing during this crisis. Effective today and going through June 30, 2020, all nursing facilities, assisted living and residential care facilities will receive a temporary rate increase of 10% in their Medicaid rates. See the [revised rate schedule](#).

NATIONAL NEWS

CDC & CMS Develop COVID-19 Focused Surveys for Nursing Homes

Yesterday, APD sent all nursing facilities the *COVID-19 Focused Survey for Nursing Homes* that was developed by both CDC and CMS. CMS expects facilities to use this new process, in conjunction with the latest guidance from CDC, to perform a voluntary self-assessment of the ability to prevent the transmission of COVID-19. See:

- [NF-20-74 - COVID-19 Focused Survey for NF Memo](#)
- [COVID-19 Focused Survey for Nursing Homes](#)
- [NF-20-74 - QSO-20-20 ALL March 23, 2020 \(CMS Memo\)](#)