COVID-19 Series–Emergency Preparedness, Infection Control and More!

A 3-Part Webinar Series & Recordings • July 8th, July 29th & August 5th, 2020 • 10:30 am -12:00 pm CST

July 8th—Part 1: COVID-19: Emergency Preparedness for a Pandemic – What Your Agency Needs to Know!—Healthcare is currently facing a Pandemic called COVID 19. How prepared is your organization to handle a pandemic? This webinar will take you through current information on the novel COVID-19 virus. We will discuss conducting a risk assessment for both your patients and staff, mitigation, how to provide education and training to your staff, patients, and the community. This webinar will also help your agency assess any potential gaps in your Emergency Preparedness Plan and dealing with a pandemic. A Tabletop Exercise will be discussed to help you conduct a gap analysis of your plan to identify any updates required to keep you compliant with the latest CMS guidelines. You will be provided with the latest up to date recommendations to optimize your Emergency Plan and policies related to Infection Control and Prevention.

July 29th—Part 2: Infection Control & Prevention COVID-19 – Implementing a Comprehensive Surveillance Program—Healthcare is currently facing a Pandemic called COVID 19. Has your agency set up a comprehensive surveillance program to support your infection control program during the novel COVID-19, a pandemic risk? This webinar will teach your organization the necessary components to an Infection Control & Prevention surveillance program during a pandemic with a focus on novel COVID-19. Discussed are components in surveillance during a pandemic, what data you should collect, what trends to pay attention to and what actions to implement in your agency for both patients and staff. We will also review how to integrate your data and findings into your agency's reports.

<u>August 5th—Part 3: COVID-19 Best Practices—Patient Care, Staff Protocols, Containment and Tracing</u>—COVID 19 is presenting all of those within Healthcare to practice within a "new normal". Is your agency prepared to address all aspects of this new normal? This webinar will identify best practice policies, procedures and processes that should be implemented by your agency as we embrace our new normal. Discussed are best practices for staff, patients, and the public. Presented will be the use of technology as a tool, syndromic surveillance, a designated COVID-19 team, and your agencies role in contact tracing. Best practice's for communicating and supporting patients, staff, providers, and the public will be addressed.

<u>Presenter</u>: Kathy Ahearn, RN, BSN, PHN has both a Bachelor's in Nursing and Social Work, serving the healthcare community for over 30 years. She owns and operates Ahearn Advisement Partners located in Encinitas, CA. Kathy has worked in a variety of post-acute care settings with an emphasis on home health and hospice, home infusion, homecare and skilled nursing. She has a unique ability to identify agency challenges and opportunities quickly providing education, support and mentoring to organizations guiding them to a new level of operation. Ms. Ahearn has no conflict of interest in regard to this program.

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