LeadingAge Need to Know: COVID 19 - September 23. 2020

We are sharing the very latest with members with weekday morning email updates and <u>live online</u> <u>updates</u> Mondays and Wednesdays. Visit the <u>main coronavirus page</u> anytime.

Following are the latest news and resources.

Join Us Today for a National Day of Action

Month after month, aging services providers have continued to serve older adults without needed relief from our federal government. We need Congress to act for older adults before they leave Washington, DC. Today is our National Day of Action, a part of the <u>"Act For Older Adults"</u> campaign to rally Americans from all walks of life to add their voice to ours. Join us today by encouraging your staff, and residents to send emails or make phone calls asking for essential relief for aging services providers. This <u>Action Alert</u> gives you everything you need! Also spread the word in social media to inspire others to join the effort, using <u>these pre-drafted posts</u> on your own social media platforms.

Making Care Work Pay: How A Living Wage Benefits Us All Zoom Panel

Yesterday, LeadingAge held a special event to discuss the impact and implication of our new research report, *Making Care Work Pay: How Paying at Least a Living Wage to Direct Care Workers Could Benefit Care Recipients, Workers, and Communities*. President & CEO Katie Smith Sloan and Senior Vice President of Research Robyn Stone joined aging services thought leaders from across the country (including Harvard's David Grabowski, UMass Professor and Center for American Progress' Christian Weller); along with advocates from the Domestic Workers Alliance, Community Catalyst and PHI. Visit the Making Care Work Pay webpage for more information. Listen to the recording and view the executive summary and infographic.

Aging Science and the Care of Older Adults: An Armchair Conversation

The Littlefield Leadership Lecture is the signature lecture series at the UW–Madison School of Nursing (SoN). The 2020 Littlefield Lecture will be live streamed on Tuesday, October 6 from 7-8:15 p.m., CDT. Dr. Barbara Bowers, preeminent geriatric nursing scientist and SoN professor, will be our keynote speaker. Her work has influenced policy decisions and care for aging individuals and populations, nationally and internationally. She will be joined by noted researcher and leading authority on aging and long-term policy, Dr. Robyn I. Stone, Senior Vice President of Research with LeadingAge. Drs. Bowers and Stone will discuss gerontologic science and practice in an armchair conversation entitled, "Aging Science and the Care of Older Adults." <u>Register by September 25</u> to attend the lecture.

Today's Online Coronavirus Policy Update

Join us today at 3:30 p.m. ET to hear from Dr. Daniel Larremore, a leading computer scientist from the University of Colorado who has built computer models to track COVID-19 testing effectiveness and has simulated computer models to determine who should get the vaccine first to stop the pandemic. <u>Click here to register for the call</u>.

New Insights and Tools From LeadingAge

LeadingAge staff experts are developing essential advocacy, guidance and tools, and curating the most relevant resources for aging services providers, including:

- <u>HUD Permits Alternatives to Resident Meetings for RAD</u> (updated)
- HUD Responds to LeadingAge Concerns about Evictions

A complete <u>timeline of insights, tools, and useful links is available here</u>, so you'll never miss an update.

Questions? Ask LeadingAge National, Your State Association, or Each Other

There are many ways to get help during this crisis. Contact LeadingAge's national team directly or email us at <u>covid@leadingage.org</u>. If you have questions about local and state issues, <u>contact your</u> <u>state association</u>. Join the MyLeadingAge Member Community <u>COVID-19 group</u> to ask questions, access resources, and share best practices for dealing with the coronavirus.