

Allies for Independence Statement on Coronavirus Pandemic

As our world grapples with the coronavirus (COVID-19), Allies for Independence wants to take a moment to note that our organization is continuing its work focused on long term care financing for individuals across the lifespan.

The populations that Allies for Independence works most closely with include individuals with disabilities, individuals with underlying health conditions, and individuals over the age of 65 – the populations who face the highest health risks and complications during this pandemic. Allies for Independence, its Board, and Member Organizations are all dedicated to fighting this pandemic so that we can return to a "new normal."

We will continue to update from our social media account (@alliesforindependence) and through our website.

For more information on COVID-19, please visit the following web sources:

- Centers for Disease Control (CDC) COVID)19 Information
- CMS releases COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for State Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Agencies.
- The National Governors Association (NGA) releases guidance for states, "Coronavirus: What You Need to Know."
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) update FAQ section related to state Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and how these agencies are responding to COVID-19.
- New information from the CMS "Current Emergencies" website.
- CMS guidance to states titled, "Medicaid State Plan Fee-for-Service Payments for Services Delivered via Telehealth."
- CMS Document on Information for PACE Organizations Regarding Infection Control and Prevention of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- Department of Transportation update titled, "Making Public Transit Safer During COVID-19 Outbreak."