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## **Long-term Care** **NEWSLETTER**

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### **LTC Update:**

- **New Admission COVID-19 Guidance – Update**
- **Other Opportunities to Connect with IDOH**

### **New Admission COVID-19 Guidance – Update**

Residents who leave the facility for 24 hours or longer should generally be managed as a new admission/readmission, and the same guidance applies.

1. For all new admissions, be sure to get good interfacility communication on close contacts and symptoms.
2. All new admissions should have a series of two viral tests: the first test at 24 hours after admission and, if negative, a second test 5-7 days after their admission. They should be watched for symptoms daily.
3. New admissions who are asymptomatic, not a close contact and are up-to-date do not need to be quarantined.
4. A new admission individual can come out of quarantine after receiving a booster without any waiting period as long as they meet all the following requirements:
  - Had no close contact (with a reliable history);
  - Not an immunocompromised individual; and
  - Not symptomatic

## Other Opportunities to Connect with IDOH

Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) communicates with long-term care (LTC) facilities primarily via this LTC newsletter. Facilities and providers have additional methods to stay connected with IDOH:

- Indiana Health Care Association (IHCA) hosts weekly webinars on Thursday from Noon - 1 p.m. IDOH's LTC team often joins these webinars to present new relevant information and answer questions. Members and nonmembers are encouraged to join these webinars from [here](#). You can also access recordings of previous webinars.
- IDOH also does regular webinars with Q source, Indiana, part of Medicare's Quality Innovation Network-Quality Improvement Organization (QIN-QIO) to present public health updates and topics of interest to audiences. You can sign up for upcoming webinars with the following links:  
7/20/22 <https://bit.ly/3IAy94t>  
8/03/22 <https://bit.ly/3z5cfD6>  
9/14/22 <https://bit.ly/3AQGCyG>