



What is Covia doing about COVID-19?

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As a supplement to the information being provided by your individual community, we wanted to provide you with an update on how Covia is continuing to monitor the Coronavirus, or COVID-19, and to develop organizational protocols based on the most current information.

This week, Covia established a COVID-19 Task Force, including Grant Edelstone, Senior Director of Risk Management; Cynthia Shelby, Regional Quality and Care Nurse; Laura Darling, VP of Communication and Spiritual Care; and Prab Brinton, VP of Human Resources. This team is meeting daily and staying in regular contact with our communities and programs to ensure they have the preparation and resources they need.

Individual communities are implementing protocols based on the recommendations of their local County Department of Public Health, in consultation with the Risk and Clinical team. Please talk to your Executive Director, Health Care Administrator, or Housing Administrator for details about how your community is responding.

We encourage anyone who exhibits cold- or flu-like symptoms, including coughing, fever, shortness of breath, or sore throat, to remain in their home until they can be confirmed by a physician as being COVID-free or their symptoms resolve. Employees who have these symptoms should see their personal physician for testing, medical evaluation, and a medical release before returning to work. If you are a community resident, staff will work with you to provide food and other necessary supplies during this period.

We have created a webpage that we will update with additional information as needed. It can be found at <https://covia.org/covid-19-response-and-resources/>. We will also distribute a printed update each Friday.

Thank you for taking care of yourself and your community.