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Submission of Reporting COVID-19 Positive Cases and/or Deaths in Facilities

On Thursday April 8, 2020, Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Commissioner Dr. Kris Box signed an [order](#) requiring COVID-19 reporting for long-term care facilities, prisons, jails, and other congregate housing. Effective Friday, April 10, 2020, long-term care facilities are required to report the following within 24 hours:

- Any resident who tests positive for COVID-19
- Any employee who tests positive for COVID-19
- Any confirmed positive COVID-19 related death OR suspected COVID-19 related death of a resident
- Any confirmed positive COVID-19 related death OR suspected COVID-19 related death of an employee

Confirmed or suspected deaths should be reported regardless of where the death occurred and within 24 hours of the facilities' knowledge of the death.

ISDH has created an online survey tool for reporting. For purposes of this reporting, the following should enter their report under "Long Term Care Facility": nursing facilities, skilled nursing facilities, residential facilities, and assisted living facilities. Other facilities not listed can enter information under "Other Congregate Housing." This online survey tool does not substitute for any other reporting requirements. The link to the survey tool is available at: [REDCap Survey Link](#) .

Questions regarding the survey tool should be directed to: PROVIDERS@isdh.in.gov. However, this email address should not be used to make a report in place of the online survey tool.

Thank you for your continued effort as we work together to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Indiana State Department of Health COVID-19 Resource Center

Please consult the [Indiana State Department of Health COVID-19 webpage](#) for updated news and guidance on the COVID-19 outbreak. Updates will be made as new information becomes available. Please contact your healthcare provider if you experience symptoms such as fever, cough and shortness of breath and have a recent history of travel to areas affected by COVID-19 or contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19.

General questions from the public or healthcare provider inquiries about COVID-19 may be directed to the ISDH COVID-19 Call Center at the **toll-free number 877-826-0011 (available 24/7)**.