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LTC Update:

- **CMS Crisis Staffing & Visitation FAQs**
- **CDC Staffing Mitigation**
- **Long-term Care COVID-19 Clinical Guidance – *UPDATE***

CMS Crisis Staffing & Visitation FAQs

CMS has shared a set of FAQs to clarify and update information related to its visitation memo posted in November. The FAQs can be found on the cms.gov [emergencies page](#) and has also been amended to the end of this document: [QSO-20-39-NH Revised \(cms.gov\)](#).

CDC Staffing Mitigation

Due to concerns about increased transmissibility of the SARS-CoV-2 [Omicron variant](#), this guidance is being updated to enhance protection for healthcare personnel (HCP), patients, and visitors and to address concerns about potential impacts on the healthcare system given a surge of SARS-CoV-2 infections.

[Strategies to Mitigate Healthcare Personnel Staffing Shortages | CDC](#)

Long-term Care COVID-19 Clinical Guidance – *UPDATED 1/04/2022*

The IDOH Long-term Care COVID-19 [Clinical Guidance](#) has been updated to include staffing strategies based on the guidance from CMS and CDC above.