

## State Actions Addressing COVID-19 in Long-Term Care Facilities

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This table provides an overview of notable state actions to address COVID-19 in long-term care (LTC) facilities. For the purposes of this table, LTC facilities include nursing facilities (including post-acute), assisted living, and other residential care settings.

The list below does not include every strategy or action states have pursued. Additional state actions and examples will be added to this table on an ongoing basis. Given the robust and rapid nature of state response efforts, we welcome feedback on state actions that may be missing or have evolved since the release of this table. If there are approaches or examples you believe should be added or amended, please contact Michelle LeBlanc at [mleblanc@nga.org](mailto:mleblanc@nga.org).

For additional information on these and other steps states are taking to address COVID-19 in LTC facilities, as well as home and community-based settings, please see NGA Strategies for COVID-19 Response for Populations Receiving Long-Term Care.

Actions	Total	States/Territories
<b>Required or Enhanced Testing</b>	42	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">AR</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">DE</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">ID</a> , <a href="#">IL</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">KY</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">ME</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MS</a> , <a href="#">MO</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">ND</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">SD</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">TX</a> , <a href="#">UT</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WA</a> , <a href="#">WV</a> , <a href="#">WI</a> , <a href="#">WY</a>
<i>Testing is required in LTC facilities</i>	16	<a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">IL</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WA</a> , <a href="#">WV</a>
<i>Resources have been prioritized to increase testing in LTC facilities</i>	33	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">AR</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">DE</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">KY</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">ME</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MS</a> , <a href="#">MO</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">TX</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WA</a> , <a href="#">WV</a> , <a href="#">WI</a>
<i>Hospitals are required to test prior to discharge to LTC facilities</i>	9	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">PA</a>
<b>Dedicated Support Teams<sup>±</sup></b>	22	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">ID</a> , <a href="#">IA</a> , <a href="#">IL</a> , <a href="#">KY</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">TX</a> , <a href="#">UT</a>
<i>Teams include National Guard personnel</i>	14	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">RI</a>
<i>Teams focus on testing</i>	9	<a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">IA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">TX</a>
<b>Workforce Supports and Capacity Building</b>	23	<a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">AR</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">KS</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NH</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WV</a> , <a href="#">WI</a>
<i>Supporting new and expanded roles<sup>~</sup></i>	9	<a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">KS</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">WI</a>
<i>Increased payments and other incentives for staff</i>	9	<a href="#">AR</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">NH</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">RI</a>
<i>System or process to match job seekers to LTC facilities with staffing needs</i>	10	<a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">WV</a>
<b>Prohibited or Restricted Visitation</b>	51	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">AK</a> , <a href="#">AS</a> , <a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">AR</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">DE</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">HI</a> , <a href="#">ID</a> , <a href="#">IL</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">IA</a> , <a href="#">KS*</a> , <a href="#">KY</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">ME</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MS</a> , <a href="#">MO</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NE</a> , <a href="#">NV</a> , <a href="#">NH</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC*</a> , <a href="#">ND</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA*</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">TX</a> , <a href="#">USVI</a> , <a href="#">UT</a> , <a href="#">VT</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WA</a> , <a href="#">WV</a> , <a href="#">WI</a> , <a href="#">WY</a>
<i>Visitation is prohibited</i>	19	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MS</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC*</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA*</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">TX</a> , <a href="#">USVI</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WA</a>
<i>Visitation is restricted or limits are recommended</i>	12	<a href="#">AK</a> , <a href="#">AS</a> , <a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">DE</a> , <a href="#">HI</a> , <a href="#">KS*</a> , <a href="#">KY</a> , <a href="#">NV</a> , <a href="#">NC*</a> , <a href="#">PA*</a> , <a href="#">UT</a> , <a href="#">WI</a>

<b>Updated guidance allows visitation under certain scenarios (e.g. outdoors)</b>	24	<a href="#">AR</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">ID</a> , <a href="#">IL</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">IA</a> , <a href="#">KS*</a> , <a href="#">ME</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MI</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">MO</a> , <a href="#">NE</a> , <a href="#">NH</a> , <a href="#">NJ</a> , <a href="#">ND</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">VT</a> , <a href="#">WV</a> , <a href="#">WY</a>
<b>Additional Payments to LTC Facilities</b>	22	<a href="#">AL</a> , <a href="#">CA</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">GA</a> , <a href="#">KS</a> , <a href="#">KY</a> , <a href="#">LA</a> , <a href="#">ME</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MN</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">SC</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">VA</a> , <a href="#">WA</a> , <a href="#">WI</a>
<b>LTC Facilities Addressed in State Reopening Plans</b>	31	<a href="#">AK</a> , <a href="#">AZ</a> , <a href="#">CO</a> , <a href="#">CT</a> , <a href="#">DE</a> , <a href="#">FL</a> , <a href="#">HI</a> , <a href="#">ID</a> , <a href="#">IN</a> , <a href="#">KS</a> , <a href="#">ME</a> , <a href="#">MD</a> , <a href="#">MA</a> , <a href="#">MT</a> , <a href="#">NV</a> , <a href="#">NM</a> , <a href="#">NY</a> , <a href="#">NC</a> , <a href="#">ND</a> , <a href="#">OH</a> , <a href="#">OK</a> , <a href="#">OR</a> , <a href="#">PA</a> , <a href="#">RI</a> , <a href="#">SD</a> , <a href="#">TN</a> , <a href="#">TX</a> , <a href="#">UT</a> , <a href="#">WA</a> , <a href="#">WV</a> , <a href="#">WI</a>

<sup>±</sup> State-led teams deployed to assist LTC facilities in preventing and mitigating outbreaks, which may include local and state health officials, clinicians, providers from local hospital systems, and members of the National Guard.

~Examples of new and expanded roles include temporary nurse aides and personal care attendants.

\*Indicates visitation guidance differs between nursing and assisted living facilities.

NOTE: For states without links to corresponding documentation, state actions have been verified with state officials. Please contact [mleblanc@nga.org](mailto:mleblanc@nga.org) for questions about state actions.