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TO:

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DATE:

April 24, 2020

SUBJECT:

Infection Control Trainings

The Department has initiated in-time virtual infection control training and it will occur on a daily basis Monday through Friday to nursing homes, and will expand into congregate assisted living settings. Training includes donning and doffing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), conservation strategies and hand hygiene. Through ZOOM, in time training is provided to the caregivers who are at the bedside providing the hands on care. Training is focused, approximately 10-15 minutes and provides a 5-minute question and answer opportunity.

Outreach to facilities is occurring and it is our goal to touch each facility within the next 3 weeks. The Department will be reaching out to you to schedule time that will work for the facility. Should you have any questions, please call Cher Michaud, Supervising Nurse Consultant at 860-509-7508.



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