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Dear Long-Term Care Clinical Leader,

COVID-19 and its variants continue to pose significant risk for residents and staff of Ohio's long-term care facilities. But we have the tools and resources to respond and protect those in our care. Vaccines, therapeutics, and more have been proven to prevent the spread of the virus and increase the efficiency and efficacy of treatment to save lives.

As a respected clinical leader in your facility and your field, the Ohio Department of Aging invites you to join a virtual conversation of your peers to discuss these and other important topics.

We have assembled a panel of experts in geriatric medicine, nursing home medical direction, infectious disease, and pharmacologic therapeutics to summarize evidence regarding these important interventions and to introduce an algorithm for implementation of the newest monoclonal antibody treatment options and anti-viral medications.

We will give you tools and strategies to increase COVID-19 vaccination coverage and the use of potentially life-saving therapeutics that have been shown to prevent the worsening of symptoms and decrease hospitalization.

Join us for the session that best fits your schedule:

- Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022 4-5 p.m.
- <u>Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022 7:30-8:30 a.m.</u>

These <u>invitation-only</u> sessions are being offered and recommended <u>exclusively</u> for medical directors, directors of nursing, and infection preventionists who have the ability to implement change.

Continuing medical education credit and continuing nursing education contact hours are pending.

We hope to see you as we discuss strategies you can use today to protect and improve the lives of those you are trusted to care for and serve.

Sincerely,

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Fostering sound public policy, research, and initiatives that benefit older Ohioans.

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