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TO: Aging Services Access Point (ASAP) Executive Directors
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FROM: Lynn Vidler,
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DATE: October 3, 2023

RE: EOEA Updated COVID-19 Vaccine Guidance for Non-Agency Based Home Care Workers

Introduction

Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) is issuing this program instruction (PI) to update the COVID-19 Vaccine guidance for non-agency based home care workers (e.g., Consumer Directed Care (CDC) home care workers).

This PI supersedes and replaces previous COVID-19 vaccination guidance.

COVID-19 Vaccine Guidance

As of the date of this PI, EOEA rescinds the requirements of non-agency based home care workers in PI-21-03 regarding COVID-19 vaccinations. Vaccination remains the most important and effective strategy for avoiding hospitalizations, adverse long-term health outcomes, and death. EOEA strongly encourages non-agency based home care workers to stay up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations per the most current applicable Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendation.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention serves as a valuable resource to support education on the importance of vaccination and is a recommended source of information.

Effective Date and Compliance:

This PI is effective on the date of its release.

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