

Nursing Home and Assisted Living Oversight Working Group (NHALOWG)

Staffing Levels Subcommittee

AGENDA

Monday, November 23, 2020, 3:00 PM via Zoom

1. Opening Remarks

2. Subject Area Presentations

- Barbara Cass (DPH): State regulations regarding staffing
- Nicole Godburn (DSS): Medicaid nursing home rate methodology and plans to move to acuity-based approach

3. Continued discussion of the five main topics for consideration:

- Ensure that facilities adopt appropriate staffing policies to minimize spread of infectious disease (SR 17)
- Increase minimum required staffing ratios; support increases in workers' pay and benefits (LR 14)
- Ensure that staff have access to guaranteed sick time under state's existing paid sick leave regulations (LR 15)
- Workforce retention and recruitment
- Increase transparency and identify staffing necessary for improved communication

4. Continue to identify subject area experts to invite to present to the subcommittee

5. Next Meeting – Monday, November 30, 3:00 PM via Zoom