



**NOTICE 0520519**

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TO: AAA Directors; PASSPORT Site Directors; Provider Relations Directors

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RE: Emergency Protocol - Update

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**The State has issued clinical and provider guidance to maximize flexibility in the nursing facility level of care waiver programs. This guidance was developed in by the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) and the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) to reduce the number of in-person contacts with Ohioans most susceptible to COVID-19.**

**Attached to this notice are revised and updated clinical and provider protocol documents.**

**ODA and ODM are issuing these documents jointly with new questions added and revisions to previous guidance noted.**

**Please direct your questions to the contacts above as appropriate.**

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