

# Hospice and Palliative Care Resources for the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)



## NHPCO COVID-19 Update – 05/19/20

NHPCO has created this update for hospice and palliative care providers to share recent news and helpful links.

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### Provider Updates

#### **New Online Course Trains Thousands of COVID-19 Contact Tracers**

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) and National Coalition of STD Directors (NCSD) said the agencies have trained over 10,000 individuals nationwide in COVID-19 contact tracing. Learn more at the [Homeland Preparedness News](#) website.

#### **From Headaches to ‘COVID Toes,’ Coronavirus Symptoms Are a Bizarre Mix**

The new coronavirus that has infected millions of people around the globe can wreak havoc far beyond the lungs. Some of the symptoms of the disease it causes, COVID-19, are predictable enough: cough, fever, chills, headache. But the pathogen’s effects by no means stop there. Visit the [website for Scientific American](#) to learn more.

### Resources

#### **FDA Announces COVID-19 Update**

The FDA is alerting the public to early data that suggest potential inaccurate results from using the Abbott ID NOW point-of-care test to diagnose COVID-19. Specifically, the test may return false negative results. Learn more: [FDA Informs Public About Possible Accuracy Concerns with Abbott ID NOW Point-of-Care Test](#).

#### **Resources for Easing Stress and Trauma in the Time of COVID-19**

- The Wellness Society’s [workbook](#) addressing anxiety in the time of COVID-19.
- The [National Center for PTSD](#) continuously posts resources related to COVID-19.
- [Ithaca College Gerontology Institute](#) has resources for older adults and caregivers.

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