Consider the following:

- The incubation period is 2-14 days; individuals may be asymptomatic during the incubation period AND with active disease.
- CMS has waived the 3-day stay requirement, regardless of COVID-19 status as the resident may be asymptomatic and later begin showing signs/symptoms of illness.
  - Set up a designated unit or hall where all new admissions are placed regardless of COVID-19 status; begin an isolation period of 14 days restricting visitors and access to common areas.
  - Private rooms and bathrooms are recommended, if unavailable cohort residents with COVID-19 symptoms or positive test results.

This was a recommendation from the American Health Care Association (AHCA) and the National Centers for Assisted Living (NCAL).

If a resident becomes symptomatic:

*They do not necessarily require hospitalization.*

Immediately place any resident exhibiting symptoms in contact precautions and follow CDC guidance and/or state Executive Order for presumptive cases.

If a resident is not showing symptoms:

- The COVID-19 virus can live on some surfaces for up to two weeks, ensure that housekeeping has appropriate PPE equipment and are sanitizing all surfaces in isolation rooms at least daily with appropriate sanitizer.
- Maintain isolation in private room for 14 days.
- Provide PPE for staff.