



Please be aware that ODH is moving forward with Infection Control Focus Surveys under the direction of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Federal surveyors are in Ohio, teaming with ODH to perform these surveys this week based on specific infection control complaints or immediate jeopardy complaints. ODH reports that about a dozen focus surveys will be conducted this week. ODH will request a number of items before the survey:

- Access to your electronic medical records, census numbers by unit, a list of residents alphabetically with room numbers, and an updated floor plan.
- The name of the person responsible for infection control and prevention, a list of employees/contract staff with phone numbers and titles, work schedules for specified dates for nursing and nurse aides, and the direct number for a contact person.
- A list of family members who frequently visit residents, any new admissions over the last month, the process for notifying families/sponsors, and anyone who has PPE precautions in place, including the type of precautions.
- Copies of policies and procedures: infection control, including the surveillance plan; emergency preparedness, including emergency staffing strategies; transfer/discharge; and change in condition.