



Key Points & Take-Aways

- There are two types of **isolation housing options** – general isolation (private rooms) for individuals who do not need additional medical and/or behavioral support and supported isolation (congregate) for individuals who require additional support for other medical conditions and/or behavioral health needs. Isolation is for patients with COVID-19 diagnoses who cannot safely isolate. The entities who can make referrals are emergency rooms, nurses with the testing team (shelters), and community-based providers.
- Clients and staff are tested in congregate settings with active outbreaks. A pilot is being explored for rapid testing. CDPH is aggregating **testing data** and will once complete it will be included in CDPH COVID-19 data reports at www.chicago.gov/coronavirus.
- CDPH reminds housing providers of [CDPH Guidance for Residential Facilities](#) and shelter providers of [CDPH Guidance for Shelters](#).
- The city has opened five **temporary shelters** providing 700 beds to allow for the decompression of the shelter system. 150 clients at high risk for life-threatening complications for COVID-19 have been relocated from congregate shelters to individual **hotel rooms for shielding**.
- DFSS is continuing **outreach on the CTA and city-wide canvassing** for people who are unsheltered. DFSS, CDPH and medical partners are exploring coordinated testing and assessment/shielding of high-risk residents at encampments.
- All Chicago facilitated a [webinar](#) to explain how to navigate the **CoC Slack Channel** and the topic for the Thursday, May 14 [Housing Provider Sharing & Problem-Solving Session](#) will focus on food and childcare.
- All Chicago is working on developing the data reports for the **Accountability Plan** that was released to support the CoC's Expedited Housing Initiative. A recommendation will be taken to the System Performance and Evaluation Committee (SPEC) soon.
- **Subsidized housing providers** are allowing some regulatory flexibility. LIHTF is allowing properties to conduct self-inspections of vacant units for new move-ins and IHDA is allowing regulatory flexibility for self-certification of income, electronic and delayed signatures, delayed income recertifications, and property owners/managers are encouraged to waive any Tenant Selection Plan requirements that extend beyond basic federal requirements.
- The **Coordinated Entry Leadership Team** has taken action to support the Expedited Housing Initiative and by releasing a [Temporary Prioritization Plan](#) and [Interim Contact Protocols](#).