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**MEMO:** COVID-19 In-Person Visitation Aids CMP Request

Dear Long Term Care Administrator:

During this unprecedented and challenging time for both long term care staff and residents, we know how important it is for residents and their families to see each other.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has authorized qualified applicants to submit the Civil Money Penalty (CMP) Reinvestment Application, COVID-19 In-Person Visitation Aids Request for the purchase of in-person visitation aids such as tents or plexiglass (or similar products).

The application and process information will be available on the Health Care Services [Civil Money Penalty \(CMP\) Funds](#) page. This application is designed for this in-person visitation aids funding only. CMP funds can be used only to benefit residents in certified long-term care facilities. Health Facilities Licensing & Certification (HFL&C) has also included FAQs related to this funding which you may find helpful on the CMP webpage.

If you are interested in this grant funding, please review the instructions carefully and complete and return the application to [dhcs.hflc@alaska.gov](mailto:dhcs.hflc@alaska.gov) and [matthew.thomas2@alaska.gov](mailto:matthew.thomas2@alaska.gov). We kindly ask that you to note “*CMP Fund Request – In-Person Visitation Aids*” in the subject line.

The department will make a determination on the potential of the project to benefit long term care residents and improve their quality of care and life. The department will notify applicants of the funding decision via email.

We know that the need for vistration is great and these funds can truly make a difference in the lives of long term care residents. If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Thomas, HFL&C Manager, at 907.334.2664 or [matthew.thomas2@alaska.gov](mailto:matthew.thomas2@alaska.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. L. Thomas".

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