

March 26, 2021

Special Bulletin

Due to high-demand, NFDA and FEMA will be hosting two additional live webinars, again covering COVID funeral assistance for NFDA members and other funeral service professionals. The first, for NFDA members only, will take place on Tuesday, March 30, at 2 p.m. CT; the second, open to NFDA members and other funeral service professionals, will be held Thursday, April 1, at 12 p.m. CT.

Both webinars are open to the first 1,000 people who sign up. Neither webinar will be open to consumers. No CE hours are available.

FEMA Presents the Facts on Funeral Funding

For NFDA Members Only: Tuesday, March 30, 2 p.m. CT

For All Funeral Professionals: Thursday, April 1, 12 p.m. CT

Presenters: Nancy Casper, CEM COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Task Force Leader, FEMA Lesley Witter, MPA, CAE Senior Vice President of Advocacy, NFDA

No CE Hours

Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Congress authorized FEMA to provide financial assistance to individuals who incurred COVID-19-related funeral expenses after January 20, 2020. FEMA anticipates launching this program in early April 2021.

Funeral directors have a crucial role in the end-of-life process, from the guidance and solace you provide to the families and friends of the deceased, to the arrangements you make and the documentation you provide.

Join FEMA's Nancy Casper and NFDA's Lesley Witter to get the latest information on the upcoming implementation of FEMA COVID-19 Funeral Assistance, including policy details, such as eligibility and documentation criteria, so that you are prepared to provide technical assistance to families and friends of the deceased who may be eligible. We will follow the briefing with a question-and-answer session.

Armed with the most up-to-date information from FEMA, you'll be ready to continue to provide excellent customer service to the families you've shepherded through the COVID-19 bereavement process.

We look forward to hearing from you during the webinar!

Members: you must be logged into the NFDA website to view and register for the March 30 webinar.

Choose one:

NFDA Members – Register for the Tuesday, March 30 Webinar

All Funeral Professionals – Register for the Thursday, April 1 Webinar

Additional Resources

Visit the NFDA COVID-19 Information Hub for more information about the FEMA Funeral Assistance Program, including a program overview, an FAQ and more.

Visit the FEMA Funeral Assistance Page

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