

COVID-19 Online Resources

CMS Current Emergencies Home Page

With general information and updates, clinical and technical guidance, and billing guidance:

<https://www.cms.gov/About-CMS/Agency-Information/Emergency/EPRO/Current-Emergencies/Current-Emergencies-page>

CMS Coronavirus Waivers & Flexibilities

- Recently released waivers and flexibilities, including specific practitioner/facility worksheets:
<https://www.cms.gov/about-cms/emergency-preparedness-response-operations/current-emergencies/coronavirus-waivers>
- Medicare IFC: Revisions in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (CMS-1744-IFC):
<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/covid-final-ifc.pdf>
- 1135 Waivers Information:
<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertEmergPrep/1135-Waivers>
- Physician Self-Referral Sanctions Blanket Waivers, issued March 30:
<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Fraud-and-Abuse/PhysicianSelfReferral/Spotlight>
- EMTALA guidance, issued March 9:
<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-15-hospitalcahemtala.pdf>

Medicare

- Accelerated and advanced payment fact sheet:
www.cms.gov/files/document/Accelerated-and-Advanced-Payments-Fact-Sheet.pdf
- COVID-19 Medicare Provider Enrollment Relief FAQs:
<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/provider-enrollment-relief-faqs-covid-19.pdf>

Medicaid and CHIP

- COVID-19 resource page:
<https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/disaster-response-toolkit/covid19/index.html>
- Approved State 1135 Waivers list:
<https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/disaster-response-toolkit/federal-disaster-resources/index.html>
- Checklists and Tools for emergency relief:
<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/press-releases/trump-administration-releases-covid-19-checklists-and-tools-accelerate-relief-state-medicaid-chip>
- Disaster Response Toolkit:
<https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/disaster-response-toolkit/index.html>

Telehealth

- Medicare telehealth benefits fact sheet:
<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/medicare-telemedicine-health-care-provider-fact-sheet>
- Medicaid Fee-for-Service telehealth guidance:
<https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/benefits/downloads/medicaid-telehealth-services.pdf>
- Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) guidance on issuing prescriptions for controlled substances during a public health emergency:
<https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/coronavirus.html>
- Office for Civil Rights (OCR) guidance on enforcement discretion for HIPAA Rules in connection with the use of telehealth:
<https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/special-topics/emergency-preparedness/notification-enforcement-discretion-telehealth/index.html>
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) guidance on potential flexibilities for take home medication:
<https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/otp-guidance-20200316.pdf>
- And Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):
<https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/sample-otp-covid-19-faqs.pdf>
- SAMHSA guidance on medical emergency exceptions to 42 CFR Part 2 regulations:
<https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/covid-19-42-cfr-part-2-guidance-03192020.pdf>

Other CMS Information

- CMS Newsroom:
<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom>
- Coronavirus Press Releases:
<https://www.cms.gov/about-cms/emergency-preparedness-response-operations/current-emergencies/coronavirus-press-releases>

Other Federal Resources

- U.S. Federal Government COVID-19 home:
www.coronavirus.gov
- HHS/ASPR Strategic National Stockpile (SNS), including information on how to request supplies from the SNS such as personal protective equipment (PPE), ventilators, and medical countermeasures:
<https://www.phe.gov/emergency/events/COVID19/SNS/Pages/default.aspx>
- CDC grants and cooperative agreements to support state and local preparedness for COVID-19:
<https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/funding-covid.htm>
- HHS Department COVID-19 updates:
<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/coronavirus/index.html>

- Drug Enforcement Agency COVID-19 information page:
<https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/coronavirus.html>
- HHS Office for Civil Rights (OCR) Bulletin on Civil Rights Laws and HIPAA Flexibilities That Apply During the COVID-19:
<https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/ocr-bulletin-3-28-20.pdf>