STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Renée D. Coleman-Mitchell, MPH
Commissioner

Ned Lamont
Governor

Susan Bysiewicz
Lt. Governor

ORDER

Whereas, on March 10, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont (the Governor), in response to the global pandemic of 2019 Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), declared a public health and civil preparedness emergency throughout the State of Connecticut pursuant to Sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the Connecticut General Statutes, to remain in effect through September 9, 2020, unless sooner terminated by the Governor.

Now, Therefore, based on concerns relative to COVID-19, and in accord with the authority set forth above and pursuant to Section 19a-131j of the Connecticut General Statutes, unless sooner terminated by me or unless the Governor sooner repeals or modifies the declared emergencies, **I hereby order the temporary suspension for a period of sixty consecutive days, of the requirements for licensure, certification or registration**, pursuant to chapters 368d (Emergency Medical Services), 370 (Medicine and Surgery), 376 (Physical Therapists), 378 (Nursing), 378a (Nurse's Aides), 381a (Respiratory Care Practitioners), 383 (Psychologists), 383a (Marital and Family Therapists), 383b (Clinical Social Workers and Master Social Workers), 383c (Professional Counselors), 384d (Emergency Medical Services Personnel), and 400j (Pharmacy), to allow persons who are appropriately licensed, certified or registered in another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, to render temporary assistance in Connecticut within the scope of the profession for which a provider is licensed, certified or registered; provided that:

1. Nothing herein shall be construed to permit such provider to provide services beyond the scope allowed in the chapter of the Connecticut General Statutes specified that pertains to such provider's profession;

2. Any such provider who would be required to have and maintain malpractice or other form of liability insurance if licensed in Connecticut shall have and maintain such insurance coverage in the form and amount required for his or her entire period of assistance in Connecticut;

3. Any Connecticut business or medical entity which engages or contracts with any such out-of-state provider shall be required to verify the credentials of such provider in the state in which he or she is licensed, certified or registered, ensure that such provider is in good standing in such state, and confirm the required insurance coverage.

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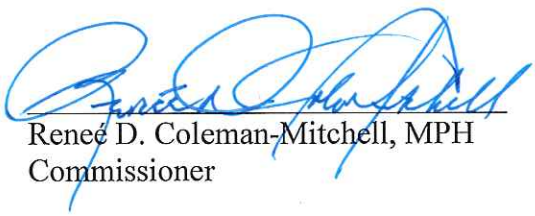
4. Any such provider who is enrolled in Medicaid or a fully insured commercial plan shall accept the Medicaid or in-network reimbursement, respectively, as payment in full for his or her services.

5. Any such provider who provides medical services for a patient in Connecticut who is not a Medicaid beneficiary or covered by a fully insured commercial plan, may provide such services for such patient provided that such provider, prior to engaging in such services, must determine whether a patient is covered by a health plan other than Medicaid or a fully insured commercial plan, and whether such plan provides coverage for such services. Any such provider who receives payment under such health plan shall not bill a patient for any additional charges beyond the reimbursement received under such health plan. Any such provider who determines that payment is not available under another such health plan or who determines a patient is uninsured, shall accept as reimbursement for that service, as payment in full, the amount that Medicare reimburses for such service, provided that if such provider determines that the patient is uninsured or otherwise unable to pay for such services, such provider shall offer financial assistance if such provider is otherwise required to provide financial assistance under state or federal law.

Ordered this 23rd day of March, 2020



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