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**COVID-19 PROCLAMATIONS EXTENDED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1, 2020** 

Dear Provider/Superintendent/Administrator:

On February 29, 2020, Governor Inslee declared a state of emergency for Washington State related to the COVID-19 outbreak. Since then, the Governor issued a number of proclamations related to long-term care facilities. Many of the proclamations were scheduled to expire on August 1, 2020.

On July 30, 2020, at Governor Inslee's request, the leadership in the Washington State Legislature extended the ending date of 26 Governor Proclamations to midnight on September 1, 2020. These proclamations include several related to Assisted Living Facilities (ALF), Adult Family Homes (AFH), Enhanced Services Facilities (ESF), Nursing Homes (NH), Certified Community Residential Service and Supports (CCRSS) and Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID). The following proclamations (related to long-term care) were extended. Not every proclamation applies to every care setting:

- 20-29.3 Telemedicine
- 20-32.3 Healthcare Worker Licensing
- 20-37.3 Nurse Aide Registered Waiver (NH)
- 20-38.3 Facilities (NH and ALF construction related waivers)
- 20-44.2 NH Transfer or Discharge/Cohorting Residents
- 20-52.2 An extension for several previous proclamations, including
  - o 20-05 Emergency Declaration
  - 20-06, 20-10, 20-16 & 20-17 Restricting visitation at facilities and training and certification requirements in Chapter 388-112A.
  - 20-18 Suspension of licensing visits, fingerprint waiver, NH staffing waivers

To see the details of these proclamations, use this link: <a href="https://www.governor.wa.gov/office-governor/official-actions/proclamations">https://www.governor.wa.gov/office-governor/official-actions/proclamations</a>.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact the RCS policy unit at <a href="mailto:respolicy@dshs.wa.gov">respolicy@dshs.wa.gov</a>.

Sincerely

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