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*Aging and Long-Term Support Administration*  
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**COVID-19 PROCLAMATIONS EXTENDED THROUGH OCTOBER 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 September 1, 2020.

On August 31, 2020, at Governor Inslee's request, the leadership in the Washington State Legislature extended the end date of 26 Governor Proclamations to midnight on October 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). Not every proclamation applies to every care setting. The following proclamations (related to long-term care) were extended:

- 20-29.7 Telemedicine
- 20-32.7 DOH Healthcare Worker Licensing
- 20-44.6 NH Transfer or Discharge/Cohorting Residents
- 20-65.1 COVID-19: Long Term Care – Workers, Facilities, and Resources
  - 20-10 Long-Term Care Workers
  - 20-18 Suspension of licensing visits, fingerprint waiver, NH staffing waivers
  - 20-37.6 NH Nurse Aide – Registered Waiver
  - 20-38.6 Facility construction related waivers (NH and ALF)
  - 20-52.6 An extension for several previous proclamations
- 20-66.1 COVID-19: Long Term Care – Operations and Visitation
  - 20-06 Proclamation by the Governor Amending 20-05
  - 20-10 Long-Term Care Workers
  - 20-16 Restricting visitation at facilities, and training and certification requirements in Chapter 388-112A WAC.
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To see the details of these proclamations, use this link: <https://www.governor.wa.gov/office-governor/official-actions/proclamations>.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact the RCS Policy Unit at [rcspolicy@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:rcspolicy@dshs.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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