

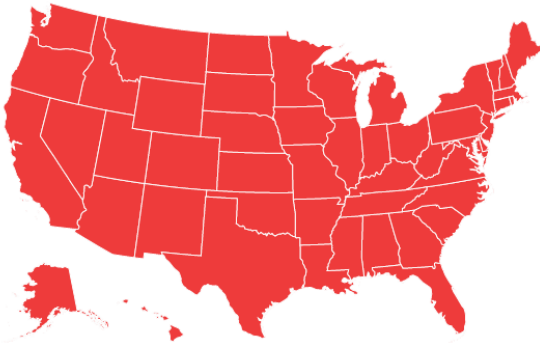
COVID-19

2020 State Government Overview Report

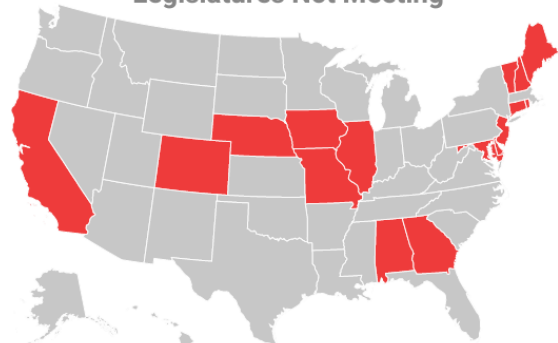
*Legislative, Executive and Regulatory Status as of March 16, 2020 at 3:11pm EST**

Since the global outbreak of coronavirus, **25 bills** have been introduced in **13 states and the District of Columbia**. The bills have been introduced on a number of issues including but not limited to waiving cost-sharing requirements, paid sick leave and worker protections, and expanding the power of the Governor. A total of **117 executive actions and appropriations requests** have been issued in **50 states, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia**. These executive actions include but are not limited to school closures, prohibition of mass gatherings, retail closures, and declarations of states of emergency. A total of **14 task forces** have been established by **11 governors**. And, **14 states and the District of Columbia** have issued emergency regulations or policies on a number of issues including but not limited to insurance carriers, labor and wage, and social distancing. **Twenty-nine (29) legislative chambers** have either temporarily adjourned or moved to virtual meetings, or announced an early sine die. Additionally, we will include actions coming from the administrations of the 100 most-populated cities.

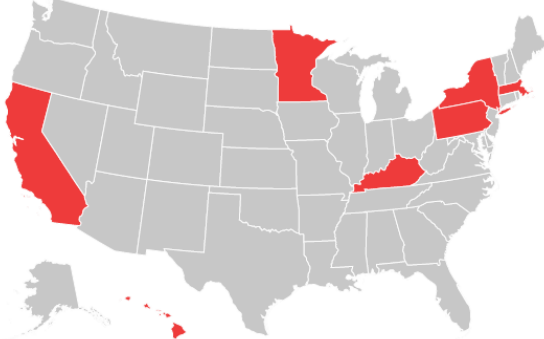
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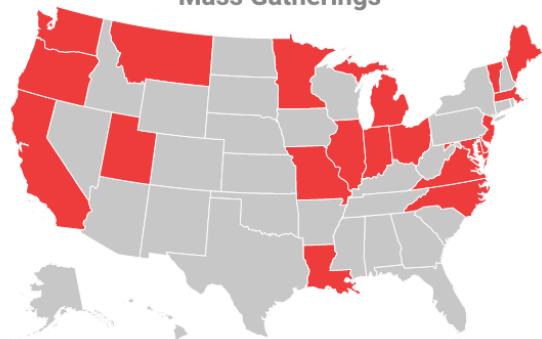
Legislatures Not Meeting



Paid Leave Proposals



Mass Gatherings



Retail Closures



**This report will be updated as the situation develops.*

Legislative and Executive Action

State	Action	Summary	Status
Alabama	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Kay Ivey (R) established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will discuss any developments and precautions on a routine basis and will make recommendations to the governor as necessary.	N/A
Alabama	Executive Proclamation	Governor Kay Ivey (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19. The order makes changes to standards of care. The order prohibits price gouging.	Active
Alabama	School Closures	Governor Kay Ivey (R) announced that K-12 schools will be closed 3/18 – 4/6.	Active
Alabama	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The Alabama House will not meet again until 3/26 due to COVID-19. The Alabama Senate will not meet again until 3/31 due to COVID-19.	N/A
Alaska	Declaration of Public Health Disaster Emergency	Governor Mike Dunleavy (R) has declared a state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 anticipated outbreak.	Active
Arizona	Executive Order No. 2020-07	Governor Doug Ducey (R) has ordered proactive measures to protect against COVID-19. It orders the Department of Health Services to issue emergency rules for skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities, and assisted living facilities. It orders the Department of Health Services and the Department of Insurance to require all insurers regulated by the state cover COVID-19 diagnostic testing regardless if the lab is in network. It orders the Department of Health Services and the Department of Insurance to require all insurers regulated by the state to cover telemedicine visits at a lower cost-sharing point than in-office visits. It orders the Department of Health Services and all Arizona health regulatory boards to prohibit, investigate, and take action against any licensed health professional or institution that engages in price gouging in relation to COVID-19. Price gouging is defined as the provider or institution charging a grossly higher price than that which was charged before the onset of the emergency.	N/A
Arizona	Declaration of State Emergency	Governor Doug Ducey (R) has declared a state of emergency due to COVID-19 which allows for the expenditure of emergency funds and use of the Division of Emergency Management.	Active
Arizona	Public School Closures	Governor Doug Ducey (R) has announced that public K-12 schools will close 3/16 – 3/27.	Active
Arkansas	Public School Closures	Governor Asa Hutchinson (R) has ordered all K-12 public schools to close beginning March 17. This was an announcement and no textual document is available.	Active
California	Declaration of State of Emergency	Governor Gavin Newsom (D) declared a state of emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19.	Active
California	Executive Order N-25-20	Governor Gavin Newsom (D) issued an executive order in response to the spread of COVID-19. The order gives discretion to the Employment Development Department to waive the one-week waiting period for disability insurance applicants who are unemployed and disabled as a result of the virus. The order delays the deadline for state tax filing by 60 days for individuals and businesses unable to file on time based on compliance with public health requirements related to COVID-19 filings. The order directs residents to follow public health directives and guidance, including to cancel large non-essential gatherings that do not meet state criteria. The	Active

		<p>order readies the state to commandeer property for temporary residences and medical facilities for quarantining, isolating or treating individuals.</p> <p>The order allows local or state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically. The order allows local and state emergency administrators to act quickly to protect public health.</p>	
California	Retail Closure – Governor’s Directive	<p>Governor Gavin Newsome (D) issued guidance on March 15 asking for the closures of bars, nightclubs, wineries, and breweries statewide. The governor asked restaurants to focus on takeout and to maximize social distancing.</p> <p>The governor wants to “ensure essential parts of our society can keep functioning like our healthcare system, grocery stores, pharmacies, social providers. And that people who can continue to work safely and remain productive can do so.”</p> <p>This was announced at a press conference. No textual document is available.</p>	Active
California	Senate Cancels Meetings	The California Senate has cancelled hearings 3/16 – 3/20. The House is still meeting.	N/A
California	AB 3123	Protects workers from retaliation when they take leave during public health emergencies, such as the ongoing coronavirus epidemic.	Contained in 3/5/20 amendment; not yet available.
California	AB 3216	Makes it an unlawful employment practice for an employer, as defined, to refuse to grant a request by an eligible employee to take family and medical leave due to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Permits employees taking leave due to COVID-19 to continue participation in employee health plans, including life insurance or short-term or long-term disability or accident insurance, pension and retirement plans, and supplemental unemployment benefit plans.	1 st Chamber
Colorado	Executive Order No. 2020-003	Governor Jared Polis (D) declared a state of emergency to ensure resources are available to combat COVID-19. The order directs the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment to engage in emergency rulemaking to ensure workers in food handling, hospitality, child care, health care, and education can get paid sick leave to miss work if they exhibit flu-like symptoms and have to miss work awaiting testing results for COVID-19. For workers who test positive and lack access to paid leave, the Governor is directing CDLE to identify additional supports and wage replacement such as access to unemployment insurance.	Active
Colorado	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The Colorado Legislature is in recess from 3/14 – 3/20 due to COVID-19.	N/A
Connecticut	Executive Order No. 7	Governor Ned LaMont (D) declared a state of emergency authorizing and directing the Commissioner of Public Health to delegate powers regarding quarantine to municipal and district directors of public health.	Active
Connecticut	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	On March 11, the Connecticut Legislature canceled all public hearings scheduled 3/16-3/20. Legislators also revised their rules to allow committee votes by telephone.	N/A
Connecticut	Retail Closure; Gaming Facilities Closure – Tri-State Area Agreement	<p>Governor Ned Lamont (D) announced that beginning March 16, all restaurants and bars, statewide, are to close for in-house service. Take-out and delivery is available.</p> <p>Gyms, movie theaters, and casinos will also be required to close.</p> <p>This does not affect grocery stores.</p> <p>This was announced during a press conference. No textual document is available.</p>	Active

Delaware	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order	<p>Governor John Carney (D) declared a state of emergency.</p> <p>The order urges event hosts to cancel all non-essential gatherings of more than 100 people.</p> <p>The order gives authority to DPH and DEMA to cancel such gatherings if it deems a public health risk. The order allows all governmental bodies to hold electronic meetings.</p> <p>The order prohibits any business to engage in price gouging of goods or services. Price gouging is defined as an increase of more than 10% from the cost customarily applied.</p>	Active
Delaware	Public School Closures – Governor’s Directive	Governor John Carney (D) directed all K-12 public schools to close 3/16 – 3/27.	Active
Delaware	Legislature Adjourns Temporarily	On March 13, the Delaware Legislature postponed session days scheduled through 3/19.	N/A
District of Columbia	Mayor’s Order No. 2020-045	Mayor Muriel Bowser (D) declared a public health emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
District of Columbia	Mayor’s Order No. 2020-046	Mayor Muriel Bowser (D) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
District of Columbia	Proposed Emergency Acts	<p>This emergency and temporary act would make a number of changes to the law to assist the District government with providing an effective response to the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>It also aims to provide relief to District residents who may face work stoppage due to a quarantine or actual sickness by providing some level of wage replacement.</p> <p>The legislation also seeks to provide relief to affected businesses by authorizing the Mayor to establish a grant program to issue funds to affected small businesses during the public health emergency.</p> <p>The bills also include a number of provisions to grant the Mayor various powers during the course of the public health emergency with regard to public health, safety as well as additional and consumer protection provisions to protect residents during this time including prohibitions on utility shutoffs and evictions.</p> <p>The legislation makes a number of temporary administrative allowances with regard to meetings of boards and commissions, including Advisory Neighborhood Commissions.</p>	3/17/20 Agenda
District of Columbia	Public School Closures	Students in the District will participate in distance learning from 3/24 – 4/1.	Active
Florida	Executive Order No. 20-51	<p>Governor Ron DeSantis (R) declared a public health emergency in the State of Florida. The measure directs the State Health Officer to follow the guidelines established by the CDC in establishing protocols to control the spread of COVID-19 and educate the public on prevention.</p> <p>The measure requires the Florida Department of Health to actively monitor all persons meeting the definition of a Person Under Investigation (“PUI”) as defined by the CDC for COVID-19 for a period of at least 14 days or until the PUI tests negative for COVID-19. All individuals meeting the CDC’s definition of a PUI shall be isolated or quarantined for a period of 14 days or until the person tests negative for COVID-19.</p>	Active
Florida	Executive Order No. 20-52	Governor Ron DeSantis (R) issued an executive order relating to the suspension of rules for multiple state agencies during this period.	Active
Florida	Public School Closures	The Commissioner of Education announced that spring break would be extended to 3/30.	Active

Georgia	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Brian Kemp (R) established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will assess the state's preparations and procedures for preventing, identifying, and addressed cases of COVID-19.	N/A
Georgia	Appropriations Request from Governor	Governor Brian Kemp (R) has requested \$100 million in state funds in response to COVID-19.	Active
Georgia	Legislature Adjourns Temporarily	On March 13, the Georgie legislature suspended the 2020 legislative session.	N/A
Georgia	Executive Order	Governor Brian Kemp (R) declared a state of public health emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Hawaii	HR 171	Urges the Governor of Hawaii to take additional precautions against the coronavirus.	1 st Chamber
Hawaii	HB 1629; SB 75	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	2 nd Chamber
Hawaii	HCR 178; HR 157	Urges state and private health care networks to allow sick employees to take time off for illness without fear of retaliation or retribution; and they are also urged to review their attendance policies in light of the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak.	1 st Chamber
Idaho	Proclamation of Disaster	Governor Brad Little (R) has declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Illinois	HB 5607	Requires the Department of Public Health to conduct a study regarding the State's preparedness against the Coronavirus.	1 st Chamber
Illinois	Legislature Adjourns Temporarily	On March 11, the Legislature cancelled 3/18-3/20 session days. It is expected to come back in on 3/24/20 but no formal statement has been released.	N/A
Illinois	Disaster Proclamation	Governor JB Pritzker (D) issued a disaster proclamation in response to COVID-19.	Active
Illinois	Executive Order No. 2020-03	Governor JB Pritker (D) issued an executive order that suspends application deadlines regarding the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act.	Active
Illinois	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order No. 2020-04	Governor JB Pritker (D) issued an executive order that cancels all public and private gatherings of more than 1,000 people. This does not include normal work attendance.	Active
Illinois	School Closures – Executive Order No. 2020-05; Executive Order No. 2020-06	Governor JB Pritker (D) issued two executive orders that close all public and private K-12 schools in the state through March 30.	Active
Illinois	Gaming Facilities Closures	The Illinois Gaming Board has communicated to the state's casinos that facilities must suspend operations for 14 days beginning on March 16.	Active
Illinois	Retail Closure – Governor's Directive	Governor JB Pritzker (D) announced that he was ordering all bars and restaurants, statewide, to close on-site consumption beginning March 16. Take-out and delivery is still available. This was announced at a press conference. No textual document is available.	Active
Indiana	Executive Order No. 20-02	Governor Eric Holcomb (R) declared a state of public health disaster emergency. It orders all state and local health officials, law enforcement and emergency response agencies, health care providers, and hospitals, in our State to cooperate with the ISDH in its response	Active
Indiana	Mass Gatherings – Governor's Directive	Governor Eric Holcomb (R) announced that non-essential gatherings must be limited to no more than 250 people. This includes any event or gathering of people who are in one room or a single space at the same time, such as cafeterias, churches, stadiums, meeting and conference rooms, auditoriums and the like. This guidance applies to professional, social, community and similar other gatherings.	Active
Iowa	Proclamation of Disaster Emergency	Governor Kim Reynolds (R) proclaimed a disaster emergency. The proclamation activates the disaster response and recovery aspects of the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management's Iowa Emergency Response Plan. The proclamation authorizes state agencies to utilize resources including personnel, equipment and facilities	Active

		to perform activities necessary to prevent, contain and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 virus.	
Iowa	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The Legislature has been suspended for at least 30 days beginning March 16.	N/A
Kansas	Declaration of Emergency	Governor Laura Kelly (D) declared a state emergency in response to COVID-19. The declaration authorizes the use of state resources and personnel to assist with response and recovery operations in affected counties that meet certain criteria. Text has not yet been released.	Active
Kentucky	Executive Order No. 2020-215	Governor Andy Beshear (D) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Kentucky	Executive Order No. 2020-220	Governor Andy Beshear (D) declared a state of emergency relating to insurance. It orders all insurers to waive all cost-sharing for screening and testing of COVID-19. It orders all insurers to waive prior authorizations for screening and testing. It orders all insurers to offer access to out-of-network services. It orders all insurers to allow people to obtain refills of prescriptions even if it was recently filled.	Active
Kentucky	Public School Closures	Governor Andy Beshear (D) announced that all K-12 public schools will be closed beginning March 16 for at least two weeks.	Active
Kentucky	Retail Closures – Governor’s Directive	Governor Andy Beshear (D) directed restaurants and bars to close in-person service. Take-out and delivery will still be available. This was announced at a press conference. No textual document is available.	Active
Kentucky	SJR 246	Requires the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to assess Kentucky’s preparedness to address the coronavirus and report the results to the General Assembly by March 31, 2020.	1 st Chamber
Kentucky	SB 282	Requires employers to provide paid sick leave to employees in response to COVID-19. This measure provides that an employee who works for the same employer for thirty days within a year from the commencement of employment is entitled to paid sick days. The employee is to be entitled to eight hours of paid sick leave after completing 120 hours of employment with the same employer or thirty days employment, whichever occurs last. An employee shall then accrue paid sick days at the rate of not less than one and one-half hours per every thirty hours worked, beginning at the commencement of employment with the employer or the effective date of this measure, whichever is later.	1 st Chamber
Kentucky	Executive Order No. 2020-224	Governor Andy Beshear (D) has ordered that pharmacists in the state may dispense emergency refills of up to a 30-day supply for any non-controlled medication and may operate temporarily a pharmacy in an area not designated on the pharmacy permit.	Active
Louisiana	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor John Bel Edwards (D) has established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will lead the state’s planning for different scenarios relating to the spread of coronavirus, offer guidance to the Governor’s Office and the Unified Command Group, and to agencies, local governments, businesses, and organizations.	N/A
Louisiana	Emergency Proclamation	Governor John Bel Edwards (D) declared a public health emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Louisiana	Mass Gatherings – School Closures – Emergency Proclamation No. 2020-27	Governor John Bel Edwards (D) signed a proclamation that among other actions immediately halts any gathering of more than 250 people until Monday, April 13. The order also closes all K-12 public schools 3/16 – 4/13, statewide.	Active
Louisiana	Executive Order No. 2020-17	Governor John Bel Edwards (D) issued an order postponing Louisiana’s upcoming election including the presidential primary in response to COVID-19, commonly called the coronavirus. The elections scheduled for April and May will take place in June and July.	Active
Maine	Proclamation of Civil Emergency	Governor Janet Mills (D) declared a civil emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active

	Mass Gatherings; School Closures – Governor’s Recommendations	<p>In addition, the governor is recommending ending classroom instruction in all public schools as soon as reasonably practical.</p> <p>In addition, the governor is recommending postponing all events with 50 or more people all gatherings of more than 10 that include individuals who are at higher risk for severe illness, such as seniors, until further notice.</p> <p>In addition, the governor is recommending postponing all non-urgent medical procedures, elective surgeries, and appointments at hospitals and health care providers across the state until further notice.</p>	
Maryland	Declaration of State of Emergency	Governor Larry Hogan (R) declared a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency in the State of Maryland.	Active
Maryland	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order	Governor Larry Hogan (R) has issued an order prohibiting gatherings of more than 250 people, including social, community, spiritual, religious, recreational, leisure, and sporting gatherings.	Active
Maryland	Executive Order	Governor Larry Hogan (R) has issued an order to expand child care access to child care for critical personnel during the state of emergency.	Active
Maryland	Gaming Facilities Closures – Executive Order	Governor Larry Hogan (R) has issued an order to close all Maryland casinos, racetracks, and simulcast betting facilities to the general public indefinitely. Does not apply to hotels adjacent to casinos.	Active
Maryland	Retail Closure – Governor’s Directive	<p>Governor Larry Hogan (R) has ordered all restaurants, bars, movie theaters, and gyms to close beginning March 16. Take-out and delivery will still be available.</p> <p>This does not apply to grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations, and banks.</p> <p>This was announced during a press conference. No textual document is available.</p>	Active
Maryland	Legislature Will Adjourn Sine Die Early	<p>Leaders of the Maryland Legislature announced that it will end its annual session on March 18 – more than two weeks early.</p> <p>Senate President Bill Ferguson and House of Delegates Speaker Adrienne A. Jones said bills will be prioritized going into the final days.</p>	N/A
Maryland	SB 1079; HB 1661	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	<p>HB 1661: 2nd Chamber</p> <p>SB 1079: Enacted</p>
Maryland	HB 1663; SB 1080	Authorizes certain actions by the Governor with regard to the coronavirus outbreak. the Governor may: (1) prohibit cost-sharing by carriers for disease testing and any associated costs that is conducted based on testing protocols recommended by the Secretary of Health; (2) order the Department of Health to cover the cost of disease testing and any associated costs, if the costs would not otherwise be paid for by a carrier or another third party; (3) require carriers and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to cover the cost of an immunization and any associated costs; (4) establish or waive telehealth protocols, including authorizing health care professionals licensed out-of-state to provide telehealth to patients; (5) order the Department of Health to reimburse synchronous and asynchronous telehealth services provided to a patient, without regard to whether the patient is at a clinical site; (6) for the duration of the emergency, prohibit a retailer from increasing the sale or rental price of any good or service to a price that increases the retailer’s value of profit by more than 10%, including for the price of: 1. food; 2. fuel; 3.	1 st Chamber

		water and ice; 4. medicine; 5. medical supplies and equipment; 6. cleaning products; 7. building supplies and equipment; 8. energy sources; and 9. storage space; and (7) prohibit an employer from terminating an employee solely on the basis that the employee has been required to be isolated or quarantined under Title 14 of the Public Safety Article.	
Massachusetts	HD 4926	Establishes and regulates the funding and use of the COVID-19 Quarantine Assistance Fund. Requires the use of the fund for grants to residents of Massachusetts who become unable to earn wages due to a COVID-19 infection, quarantine or isolation period.	1 st Chamber
Massachusetts	HB 4502	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	Enacted
Massachusetts	SD 2865	This docket states that the amount of time said public safety official is incapacitated or unable to perform their duties as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) infection or exposure and the required time of hospitalization, time of quarantine or time of self-quarantine shall be considered as on duty time, and said public safety official shall not be required to use sick time, vacation time, personal time or any other contractual time-off to cover said period of incapacitation or inability to perform regular duty work.	1 st Chamber
Massachusetts	Executive Order No. 591	Governor Charlie Baker (R) declared a state of emergency to give state government more flexibility to respond to this evolving outbreak.	Active
Massachusetts	School Closures – Retail Closure – Governor’s Temporary Order	Governor Charlie Baker (R) ordered the closure of all public and private K-12 schools, statewide, from 3/16 – 4/6.	Active
Massachusetts	Retail Closure; Mass Gatherings – Governor’s Temporary Order	Governor Charlie Baker (R) issued an emergency order prohibiting gatherings of more than 25 people, statewide. The order includes, without limitation, community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based events, sporting events with spectators, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, parades, fairs, festivals, and any similar event. The emergency order also prohibits bars, restaurants, or establishments that offer food and drink to close for on-premise consumption. Take-out and delivery will still be available provided they follow social distancing protocols set forth in Department of Public Health guidance.	Active
Massachusetts	Governor’s Temporary Order	Governor Charlie Baker (R) issued an emergency order requiring insurers to allow all in-network providers to delivery clinically appropriate, medically necessary covered services to members via telehealth. The GIC and all carriers are required to cover, without any cost-sharing, medically necessary treatment delivered via telehealth related to COVID-19. The Commissioner of Insurance will direct guidance to implement this order.	Active
Michigan	COVID-19 Task Forces	Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D) has established four individual COVID-19 task forces. The COVID-19 Task Force on State Operations, covers all aspects of state operations, including employment and facilities. The COVID-19 Task Force on Health and Human Services, covers the provision of medical and human services, including protecting the healthcare workforce. The COVID-19 Task Force on Education, covers K-12 public schools and universities and colleges. The COVID-19 Task Force on Economy/Workforce, covers general economic impact, workforce, supply chain, business continuity, and related issues.	N/A
Michigan	Executive Order No. 2020-4	Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Michigan	Mass Gatherings – Public School Closures –	Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D) has ordered a temporary prohibition on large assemblages and events and temporary school closures.	Active

	Executive Order No. 2020-5	The order prohibits more gatherings of more than 250 in a single shared space. The order does not apply to industrial or manufacturing work, mass transit, or purchase of groceries or consumer goods. The order closes all public schools in the state beginning March 16.	
Michigan	Executive Order No. 2020-8	Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D) has temporarily imposed enhanced restrictions on the excessive pricing of goods, materials, emergency supplies, and consumer food items.	Active
Michigan	HR 242	Urges for federal financial assistance to help Michigan with the coronavirus outbreak.	1 st Chamber
Michigan	HB 5631	Makes a \$10 million appropriation to the Fund to combat the COVID-19 Outbreak.	1 st Chamber
Michigan	HB 5632 HB 5633	Requires Medicaid coverage for COVID-19.	1 st Chamber
Minnesota	Executive Order No. 20-01	Governor Tim Walz (D) declared a peacetime emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Minnesota	Public School Closures – Executive Order No. 20-02	Governor Tim Walz (D) has ordered the closure of public K-12 school, statewide, 3/18 – 3/27. The order also requires schools to provide care for elementary-age children of health care professionals, first responders, and other emergency workers during previously planned school days to ensure Minnesota's first line of defense against COVID-19 can stay on the job.	Active
Minnesota	HF 3532; SF 4194	States that in order to mitigate the impacts and hardships encountered by a person quarantined or isolated in this state, any person isolated or quarantined under subdivision 1, clause (3), shall have the following protections: (1) A qualified employee shall be allowed to work at home during the period of isolation or quarantine if, following an interactive process between the employer and qualified employee, such arrangements are reasonable for the employer, in light of the employee's essential job duties, and do not impose an undue hardship on the employer; (2) all civil court actions shall be stayed during the person's isolation or quarantine, but only if the isolation or quarantine materially affects the person's ability to appear; (3) the commissioner of commerce shall negotiate with credit reporting bureaus to waive any negative reports to the person's credit rating during a person's period of isolation or quarantine; (4) the commissioner of commerce shall negotiate a federal waiver for federally guaranteed student loan obligations for persons under isolation or quarantine. Also, nothing in this subdivision is intended to alter sick leave or sick pay terms of the employment relationship. The period of any isolation or quarantine, as defined in section 144.419, shall run concurrently with any period of protected leave under federal, state, and local law. Either the qualified employee or the employer may elect to have the employee use paid leave benefits for which the employee is eligible under any paid time off, vacation, paid sick leave, or other paid leave benefit made available by the employer during the period of isolation or quarantine.	1 st Chamber
Minnesota	HF 4275; SF 3813	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	HF 4275: 1 st Chamber SF 3813: Enacted
Minnesota	HF 4414	Relates to modifying eligibility conditions for unemployment insurance and the use of sick leave benefits during an outbreak of a communicable disease.	1 st Chamber
Minnesota	HF 4416	Creates a new Section of Code to require health plan companies to cover testing, treatment, and quarantines	1 st Chamber

		relating to COVID-19. applicable to all enrollees regardless of whether testing evidences the enrollee has contracted COVID-19. The measure requires that coverage must be provided on the same basis whether the enrollee receives services from a participating provider, hospital, or other medical facility or a nonparticipating provider, hospital, or other medical facility. The measure requires that a health plan may not impose cost sharing requirements, including a deductible, coinsurance, or co-payment for services relating to COVID-19.	
Minnesota	SF 4352	States an insurance company licensed to issue disability income insurance policies in Minnesota may also offer paid family leave insurance benefits providing wage replacement caused by absences that are not based on an insured's status as disabled. The benefits may be offered either through a rider to a disability income insurance policy or as a separate insurance policy.	1 st Chamber
Mississippi	State of Emergency Declaration	Governor Tate Reeves (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Mississippi	Public School Closure	Governor Tate Reeves (R) has closed all K-12 public schools, statewide, until at least 3/20. This was an announcement, no textual document available.	Active
Missouri	Senate on Temporary Adjournment	On March 12, Senate Leader Caleb Rowden (R) announced that the upper chamber will not be in session next week. The House is still in session. The Senator is expected to release an official statement in the near future.	N/A
Missouri	Executive Order No. 20-02	Governor Mike Parson (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Missouri	Mass Gatherings – Governor's Press Release	Governor Mike Parson (R) is urging the cancellation or suspension of public gatherings of 50 individuals or more with the exception of educational institutions, daycare facilities, and business operations. This press announcement came after the CDC issued its new recommendations on March 15.	N/A
Montana	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Steve Bullock (D) has established a COVID-19 task force. The task force is charged with bolstering the state's preparations and will coordinate public health response, continuity of government, and communication between state, federal and local partners.	N/A
Montana	Executive Order	Governor Steve Bullock (D) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Montana	Public School Closures	Governor Steve Bullock (D) closed all K-12 public schools, statewide, from 3/16 – 3/27.	Active
Montana	Mass Gatherings – Governor's Recommendation	Governor Steve Bullock (D) is recommending that the public limits all gatherings, especially those more than 50 people, in every community across the state. Governor Bullock is also recommending that individuals over the age of 60 or who are immunocompromised or with chronic health conditions do not participate in gatherings of more than 20 people.	Active
Nebraska	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The Nebraska Unicameral Legislature has been suspended until further notice. This announcement was made March 16.	N/A
Nevada	Declaration of Emergency	Governor Steve Sisolak (D) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19. Text is not yet available.	Active
New Hampshire	Executive Order No. 2020-04	Governor Chris Sununu (R) has declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
New Hampshire	Public School Closures – Executive Order No. 2020-05	Governor Chris Sununu (R) has ordered all K-12 public schools to close from 3/16 – 4/3.	Active
New Hampshire	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The New Hampshire legislature is suspending all activities 3/16 -3/20.	N/A
New Jersey	COVID-19 Task Force -Executive Order No. 102	Governor Phil Murphy (D) has established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will coordinate all state efforts to appropriately prepare for and respond to the public health hazard posed by coronavirus.	N/A

New Jersey	Executive Order No. 103	Governor Phil Murphy (D) declared a state of emergency and a public health emergency to contain the spread of COVID-19.	N/A
New Jersey	Mass Gatherings – Governor’s Recommendation	Governor Phil Murphy (D) has recommended the cancellation of all public gatherings throughout New Jersey of more than 250 individuals, including concerts, sporting events, and parades.	Active
New Jersey	Retail Closure; Gaming Facilities Closure – Tri-State Area Agreement	Governor Phil Murphy (D) announced that beginning March 16, all restaurants and bars, statewide, are to close for in-house service. Take-out and delivery is available. Gyms, movie theaters, and casinos will also be required to close. This does not affect grocery stores. Governor Murphy went on to encourage all residents not leave their homes from 8:00PM to 5:00AM. This was announced during a press conference. No textual document is available.	Active
New Jersey	Legislature Temporarily Not Voting	The New Jersey Legislature will not be holding voting sessions 3/16 – 3/20.	N/A
New Mexico	Executive Order No. 2020-004	Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham (D) declared a state of public health emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
New Mexico	Public School Closure	Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham (D) announced that New Mexico K-12 public schools will close for three weeks, effective Monday, March 16, to mitigate the risk of community spread of COVID-19.	Active
New York	Executive Order No. 202	Governor Andrew Cuomo (D) declared a state disaster emergency due to the coronavirus in the state of New York. The order authorizes the implementation of the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and authorizes all state agencies to assist in the plan. The order amends laws through April 6, 2020, to permit for additional work contracts for emergency purposes, allow for the purchases of necessary commodities and other needed materials, amend exemptions for vehicles registered in other jurisdictions, permit training to do mass-testing for the virus, allow patients to receive prescribed drugs without delays, permit general hospitals and nursing homes to transfer patients during the emergency, implement health regulations pursuant to the virus, permit nursing supervision visits for personal care services, permit physicians and certified nurse practitioner to issue a non-patient specific regimen to such purposes for collecting specimens from suspected individuals who are sick, rapid approval of the use of the tele-mental health services.	Active
New York	Retail Closure; Gaming Facilities Closure – Tri-State Area Agreement	Governor Andrew Cuomo (D) announced that beginning March 16, all restaurants and bars, statewide, are to close for in-house service. Take-out and delivery is available. Gyms, movie theaters, and casinos will also be required to close. This does not affect grocery stores. This was announced during a press conference. No textual document is available.	Active
New York	SB 7996	Provides that school districts are entitled to an apportionment of state aid for the closure of schools due in response to the novel coronavirus, even when no state of emergency has been declared	1 st Chamber
New York	SB 7919	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19 and empowers the governor to take the necessary steps to respond to epidemic.	Enacted

New York	Governor's Press Briefing and Release – 3/9/20	Governor Andrew Cuomo (D) stated that he will send a program bill to the legislature to provide paid sick leave to working New Yorkers and specifically protect those who are required to stay home from work because they are being isolated or quarantined as a result of the novel coronavirus.	N/A
Nebraska	Executive Order No. 2020-1	Governor Pete Ricketts (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
North Carolina	Executive Order No. 119 COVID-19 Task Force	<p>Governor Roy Cooper (D) declared a state of emergency to take appropriate actions necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the state. The order waives the maximum hours of service for drivers if the driver is transporting medical supplies and other needed equipment.</p> <p>The order encourages the Attorney General to use all resources available to monitor reports of abusive trade practices including price gouging.</p> <p>The order encourages private labs and universities to take all reasonable steps to expand COVID-19 testing capacity.</p> <p>The order waives restrictions related to products or chemicals used to control COVID-19 at facilities regulated by NCDHHS.</p> <p>The order waives state licensure requirements for health care and behavioral health care personnel. The order directs the Department of Insurance to work with plans operating in the state to identify burdens for testing for COVID-19 as well as access to prescriptions drugs and telehealth services to reduce cost-sharing to zero for screening and testing. The order creates coverage policies necessary for Medicaid and Health Choice Beneficiaries to receive medically necessary services.</p> <p>The order also established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will work with state, local, and federal partner in response to COVID-19.</p>	Active
North Carolina	School Closures – Executive Order No. 117	Governor Roy Cooper (D) has ordered all public K-12 schools to close beginning March 16, for at least two weeks.	Active
North Carolina	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order No. 117	<p>Governor Roy Cooper (D) has prohibited mass gatherings that bring together more than 100 people in a single room or space, such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, theater, or other confined indoor or outdoor space, including parades, fairs and festivals.</p> <p>Does not include airports, bus and train stations, medical facilities, libraries, shopping malls and spaces where people may be in transit. Office environments, restaurants, factories, or retail or grocery stores are also excluded.</p>	Active
North Dakota	Executive Order No. 2020-3	Governor Doug Burgum (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
North Dakota	School Closures – Executive Order No. 2020-4	Governor Doug Burgum (R) closed all K-12 schools, statewide, from 3/16 – 3/20.	Active
Ohio	Executive Order No. 2020-01D	Governor Mike DeWine (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19. The emergency allows state departments and agencies to better coordinate in their response.	Active
Ohio	Public School Closures	Governor Mike DeWine (R) announced that all kindergarten through 12th grade schools close through April 3.	Active
Ohio	Retail Closure– Administration Order	Governor Mike DeWine (R) announced the closures of all bars and restaurants, statewide, to in-house patrons beginning March 15. This Director's Order will be published by the Ohio Department of Health.	Active
Oklahoma	Executive Order No. 2020-07	Governor Kevin Stitt (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active

Oregon	Executive Order No. 20-03	Governor Kate Brown (D) has declared a state of emergency to bring additional medical resources to bear on the state's response to COVID-19.	Active
Oregon	Public School Closures	Governor Kate Brown (D) announced that all public schools will be closed through March 31.	Active
Oregon	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order No. 20-05	Governor Kate Brown (D) has banned large social, spiritual, and recreational gatherings of 250 people or more, statewide.	Active
Rhode Island	Proclamation of Disaster Emergency	Governor Gina Raimondo (D) declared a disaster in response to COVID-19.	Active
Rhode Island	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The Rhode Island Legislature will not meet 3/16 – 3/20 do to COVID-19.	N/A
Pennsylvania	Proclamation of Disaster Emergency	Governor Tom Wolf (D) declared a disaster emergency in response to COVID-19.	N/A
Pennsylvania	Public School Closures	Governor Tom Wolf (D) announced that all K-12 public schools will close beginning March 16.	Active
Pennsylvania	Retail Closure – Governor's Directive	Governor Tom Wolf (D) has ordered all non-essential stores, restaurants, bars, and senior programs to close for at least two weeks beginning March 16. Take-out will be made available. This does not affect grocery stores, pharmacies, or gas stations. This was announced during a press conference. A textual document is not available.	Active
Pennsylvania	House Co-Sponsorship Memorandum	Representative David Dellosa (D) plans to offer legislation that protects employees who are forced to miss work because they have been quarantined by the government or medical community. There is no formal bill at this time.	1 st Chamber
Puerto Rico	State of Emergency	Governor Wanda Vázquez Garced declared Thursday a state of emergency for the island and ordered the Puerto Rico National Guard (PRNG) to start screening travelers arriving in local international airports	Active
Puerto Rico	Curfew; Retail Closure – Governor's Directive	Governor Wanda Vázquez Garced has ordered an island-wide curfew for all persons. The order also closes all non-essential businesses, with the exception of grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations, banks or financial institutions, and any other business related to the distribution of food, medicine, medical items or fuel. This closing order applies to shopping malls, movie theaters, concert halls, theaters, gyms, gambling halls, casinos, establishments that sell alcoholic beverages, or any similar place that encourages the gathering of a group of citizens in the same space.	Active
Tennessee	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Bill Lee (R) has established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will develop and execute strong precautionary measures, resource allocation, and emergency response plans should the need arise in Tennessee.	N/A
Tennessee	Executive Order No. 14	Governor Bill Lee (R) declared a state of emergency to facilitate the treatment and containment of COVID-19. The order suspends provisions of Code to allow a pharmacist to dispense an extra 30-day supply of maintenance prescriptions without authorization. The order suspends Code to allow health care professionals otherwise subject to licensing requirements to provide localized treatment in temporary residences. The order prohibits persons from charging a price for medical or emergency supplies that is grossly in excess of the price generally charged. The order suspends rules to give discretion to the Commissioner of Human Services to waive child care licensure requirements.	Active

		The order authorizes TennCare to create policies or modify policies to ensure programs continue to receive medically necessary services.	
Tennessee	HB 2915	Allows the Governor to enter into immediate negotiations with the federal centers for Medicare and Medicaid services and the Office of the President of the United States, and seek all necessary waivers, to provide primary care to all uninsured citizens of this state relative to the prevention and treatment of coronavirus.	1 st Chamber
Texas	House Public Health Committee Meeting	House Public Health Committee will hear invited testimony to discuss the state's preparedness on the coronavirus. Legislation or other actions pursuant to the content discussed in the hearing may be introduced.	N/A
Texas	Declaration of Health Disaster	Governor Greg Abbott (R) declared a state of public health disaster in response to COVID-19.	Active
South Carolina	Executive Order	Governor Henry McMaster (R) issued an order that declares a state of emergency in response to COVID-19. The order also states that State price gouging laws shall go into effect immediately.	Active
South Carolina	SB 1161	Waives cost-sharing requirements associated with testing for COVID-19. This measure applies to all individual and group health insurance policies, health maintenance organizations, and the state health plan. Under this measure, 'cost-sharing requirements' includes all copayments, coinsurance, deductibles, and any other amounts paid by the covered person related to testing for COVID-19.	1 st Chamber
South Dakota	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Kristi Noem (R) and the Department of Health commissioned a taskforce for coordination and planning with partners and other state agencies for matters related to COVID-19.	N/A
South Dakota	Public School Closures – Executive Order	Governor Kristi Noem (R) has requested all schools to close for the following week. Executive order text not yet available.	Active
Utah	Declaration of State of Emergency	Governor Gary Herbert (R) declared a disaster emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Utah	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Gary Herbert (R) has established a COVID-19 task force. The task force will strive to provide the best information while debunking false information about the virus through those means.	N/A
Utah	Public School Closures	Governor Gary Herbert (R) announced that all K-12 public schools will be closed beginning March 16, for at least two weeks.	Active
Utah	Mass Gatherings – Governor's Recommendation	Governor Gary Herbert (R) has recommended limiting mass gatherings of more than 100 people beginning March 16.	Active
Vermont	COVID-19 Task Force	Governor Phil Scott (R) has established a COVID-19 task force. The task force is charged with ensuring a coordinated statewide response, including for communicating potential community mitigation measures to slow or minimize the spread of the virus if cases occur and accelerate in the state. The group will also work to ensure communications and continuity planning occurs in a coordinated fashion across state government.	N/A
Vermont	Legislature Temporarily Adjourns	The Vermont Legislature will not be meeting beginning 3/13 – 3/24 do to COVID-19. During the adjournment lawmakers will plan out what high-priority bills, like the budget and transportation bills, need to be pushed out after the recess. Crossover rules were also suspended specifically for those high priority bills.	N/A
Vermont	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order No. 01-20	Governor Phil Scott (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active

		<p>In the order, the governor prohibits all large non-essential mass gatherings of more than 250 people. This does not include normal operations at airports, bus or railway stations where 250 or more persons may be in transit. It also does not include typical office environments or retail or grocery stores where large numbers of people are present, but where it is unusual for them to be within arm's length of one another.</p> <p>In the order, the governor directs the Department of Labor to extend unemployment insurance to those Vermonters following the instructions of their healthcare providers to self – isolate or quarantine; to remove the work search requirement for those workers affected by temporary closure of a business; and to temporarily suspend any mechanisms that would delay the release of funds to claimants.</p>	
Vermont	School Closures	Governor Phil Scott (R) has closed all schools, statewide, 3/18 – 4/6.	Active
Virginia	Declaration of State of Emergency	Governor Ralph Northam (D) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Virginia	School Closures	Governor Ralph Northam (D) has ordered all K-12 schools to close from 3/16 – 3/27, at a minimum.	Active
Virginia	Mass Gatherings – Governor's Directive	<p>Governor Ralph Northam (D) has announced a statewide ban on all public events of more than 100 people.</p> <p>He encouraged residents of the peninsula to avoid going out at all. This was announced at a press conference. No textual document is available.</p>	Active
Washington	SB 6696	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	1 st Chamber
Washington	HB 2965	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	2 nd Chamber
Washington	HB 2325; SB 6168	Appropriates funds for response to COVID-19.	Sent to Governor
Washington	Executive Order No. 20-05	Governor Jay Inslee (D) declared a state of emergency in Washington to free all available resources in response to COVID-19.	Active
Washington	Mass Gatherings – Executive Proclamation No. 20-07	Governor Jay Inslee (D) proclaimed that events with more than 250 people taking place in King County, Snohomish County, and Pierce County are prohibited by the state.	Effective
Washington	Mass Gatherings – Executive Order	Governor Jay Inslee (D) has extended No. 20-07 to cover the entire state of Washington. Text not yet available.	Active
Washington	School Closures – Executive Order	Governor Jay Inslee (D) issued an executive order to close all K-12 public and private schools. Every district throughout the state of Washington will close for the next six weeks. He also announced activity restrictions for all statewide public and private universities, colleges, community colleges and technical schools, private career schools and apprenticeship training programs. Text not yet available.	Active
Washington	Mass Gatherings; Retail Closure – Emergency Proclamation	<p>Governor Jay Inslee (D) announced a closure of restaurants, bars, and entertainment and recreational facilities beginning March 16. Take-out and delivery will be available. This ban does not apply to grocery stores and pharmacies. Other retail outlets will have reduced occupancy.</p> <p>The order will also ban all gatherings with more than 50 people unless previously announced criteria for social distancing and public health are met.</p> <p>Text is not yet available.</p>	Active
West Virginia	Public School Closures	Governor Jim Justice (R) has ordered all public pre-K-12 schools to close beginning March 16.	Active
Wisconsin	Executive Order No. 72	Governor Tony Evers (D) declared a state of public health emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active

Wisconsin	Public School Closures	Governor Tony Evers (D) has closed all public schools beginning March 18.	Active
Wyoming	Executive Order No 2020-2	Governor Mark Gordon (R) declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19.	Active
Wyoming	School Closures	Governor Mark Gordon (R) announced that all K-12 schools, statewide, will be closed through at least 4/3. There is no textual document available.	Active

Regulatory Action

State	Agency	Summary	Status
California	Mass Gatherings – Department of Public Health Policy	The Department has determined that gatherings should be postponed or canceled across the state until at least the end of March. Non-essential gatherings must be limited to no more than 250 people, while smaller events can proceed only if the organizers can implement social distancing of 6 feet per person. Gatherings of individuals who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 should be limited to no more than 10 people, while also following social distancing guidelines.	N/A
Connecticut	Bulletin No. IC039 Connecticut Insurance Department	Insurance Commissioner Andrew Mais has issued a bulletin to all health insurance companies and health care centers. All are encouraged to handle individual and group health insurance claims, until such time as the Insurance Commissioner deems otherwise, as follows: waive of cost-sharing for COVID-19 testing; devote resources to inform enrollees, certificate holders and insureds of available benefits, quickly respond to consumer inquiries and consider revisions needed to streamline responses and benefits for consumers; verify their provider networks are adequately prepared to handle a potential increase; permit enrollees, certificate holders and insureds to obtain testing and treatment for COVID-19 out-of-network and provide coverage for such testing and treatment the same as on an in-network basis; authorize payment to pharmacies for a ninety (90) day supply of maintenance prescription medications for individuals; and, not to apply any penalties for failure of an enrollee, certificate holder or insured to provide notice as would otherwise be required by a health insurer's or health care center's utilization review requirements where such individual has sought testing or treatment for COVID-19.	N/A
Colorado	Bulletin B-4.104 Department of Regulatory Agencies, Division of Insurance	Governor Jared Polis (D) has instructed the Colorado Division of Insurance (DOI), part of the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA), to issue guidance and direction to Colorado health insurers regarding coverage of COVID-19 claims. The DOI is requiring insurance companies to take actions related to COVID-19 in the areas of telehealth, prescription refills and cost-shares (co-pays, deductibles and co-insurance). DOI is directing insurance companies to do outreach and education to remind their members about these telehealth options. The companies are also directed to provide COVID-19-related telehealth services with no cost-sharing, including co-pays, deductibles, and coinsurance that would normally apply to the telehealth visit. The Division will be issuing an emergency regulation to formalize this specific directive. The DOI is directing insurance companies to cover an additional one-time early refill of any necessary prescriptions to ensure people have their necessary medications should they want to limit their close contact with others.	Emergency regulation TBA

		Insurance companies will be directed to waive any cost-sharing for an in-network health care provider office visit, an in-network urgent care center visit or an emergency room visit when a covered person is seeking testing for COVID-19. If an in-network health care provider cannot do such testing, the insurance company must cover an out-of-network provider for the testing. As with the telehealth directives, the DOI will be issuing an emergency regulation to formalize this specific directive.	
Colorado	Department of Labor and Employment Emergency Rule	<p>The Department adopted emergency rules requiring up to four (4) days of paid sick leave for employees being tested for COVID-19 in select industries which include: leisure and hospitality; food services; child care; education, including transportation, food service, and related work at educational establishments; home health, if working with elderly, disabled, ill, or otherwise high-risk individuals and; nursing homes and community living facilities.</p> <p>The requirement is not on top of sick leave an employer already provides and does not cover wage replacement should an employee test positive and require quarantine resulting in lost work time and wages.</p> <p>Workers are covered regardless of pay rate or method (hourly, weekly, piece rate, etc.); the daily pay during leave is either their established daily rate or, if their pay fluctuates, their average daily pay for the past month.</p>	Effective
District of Columbia	Mass Gatherings – Department of Health Guidance	The Department recommends that non-essential mass gatherings, including conferences and conventions, be postponed or cancelled. Mass gatherings are defined as events where 1,000 or more people congregate in a specific location. It also recommended that any social, cultural, or entertainment events where large crowds are anticipated be reconsidered by the organizer. This recommendation is in effect through March 31.	Effective
District of Columbia	Retail Closure – Department of Health Emergency Rules	The Department has released emergency rules to prohibit mass gatherings. The rules state that restaurants and taverns shall: 1) Ensure that no more two hundred and fifty (250) people are present in the space at the same time; 2) Suspend the use of bar seating; 3) Suspend service to standing patrons; 4) Limit individual table seating to six persons or less; 5) Ensure that tables (including booths) that are occupied by patrons are separated by at least six feet of distance.	Effective
Minnesota	Mass Gatherings – Department of Health Guidance	The Commissioner issued a number of community mitigation strategies including the cancellation or postponement of events in excess of 250 people gathered together. The guidance also calls for social distancing of 6 feet per person at smaller gatherings and to limit gatherings with participants at high risk for severe disease.	Effective
Missouri	Department of Health and Senior Services Emergency Rule	The Department adopted emergency amendments and proposed identical permanent amendments which would update the requirements for reporting infectious, contagious, communicable, or dangerous diseases to include the 2019-nCoV (coronavirus).	Effective
Nevada	Division of Insurance Emergency Rule	The Commissioner of Insurance orders health insurers to not impose an out-of-pocket cost for a provider office, urgent care center, or emergency room visit when the purpose of the visit is to be tested for COVID-19; not impose an out-of-pocket cost for COVID-19 testing; to cover costs of COVID-19 immunization as one becomes available. As soon as practicable, a health insurer shall issue guidance to inform its insureds and network providers about available benefits, options for medical advice and treatment through telehealth, and preventive measures related to COVID-19.	Effective

		For the purpose of ensuring adequate access to prescription drugs due to shortages caused by supply-chain disruptions, health insurers shall provide coverage for off-formulary prescription drugs if there is not a formulary drug available to treat the insured.	
New Hampshire	Department of Insurance Order	The Commissioner of Insurance has issued an Order requiring New Hampshire health insurers to cover services associated with testing for the novel coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) without cost-sharing, and to take a series of related measures designed to promote early detection and access to prevention, treatment, and recovery services.	Effective
New Mexico	Office of Superintendent of Insurance Emergency Rules	Emergency rules maximizing the available insurance coverage for New Mexicans suffering from COVID-19, pneumonia, or influenza, while simultaneously ensuring that medical costs do not create a barrier to testing and treatment.	Effective
New York	Department of Health Emergency Rule	The Department adopted emergency amendments to update the requirements of reporting infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases. The adopted amendment adds the severe or novel coronavirus to the list of diseases which must be immediately reported to the Department of Health.	Effective
North Carolina	Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Rule	The Department has adopted an emergency rule and proposed a rule that would amend communicable diseases and conditions reporting requirements. Both the emergency rule and the proposed rule adopt reporting requirements for novel coronavirus.	Effective
North Carolina	State Board of Elections Emergency Rule	The Executive Director of the State Board of Elections seeks to amend her emergency powers to include catastrophic conditions, including a disease epidemic, so that any necessary modifications to the normal schedule or operations of the November 2020 election can be addressed as soon as possible.	Effective
Ohio	Mass Gatherings Department of Health Order	The Director of the Ohio Department of Health has prohibited mass gatherings of 100 or more persons in a single room or single space at the same time. This order does not pertain to normal operations at airports, bus and train stations, medical facilities, libraries, shopping malls and centers, or other spaces where 100 or more persons may be in transit. It does not include office environments, schools, restaurants, factories, or retail grocery stores. This order does not apply to religious gatherings or gatherings for the purpose of the expression of the First Amendment. This order does not apply to weddings or funerals.	Active
Ohio	Liquor Buyback Department of Commerce	The Ohio Department of Commerce will immediately begin offering a one-time liquor buyback option to support bars and restaurants. Bars and restaurants wishing to take advantage of this opportunity should return their unopened, high-proof liquor products (obtained within the past 30 days) to the agency where they purchased the product. This opportunity is also extended to those with temporary (F2) permits for events scheduled between 3/12 and 4/6.	N/A
Oregon	Health Authority Emergency Rules	The Health Authority Public Health Division has issued emergency rules that require laboratories to report both positive and negative tests for COVID-19. The rules will prohibit an individual with COVID-19 from attending or working at a children's facility, school, food service facility or health care facility. The rules also require a school administrator to restrict an individual from attendance or work at a children's facility or school, if the individual had a substantial exposure to someone with COVID-19. The rule will allow removal of restrictions by a statement of the local public health administrator or local health officer that the disease is no longer communicable to others or that adequate precautions	Effective

		have been taken to minimize the risk of transmission. Health care facilities will be required to adopt policies regarding restricting employees with COVID-19 or employees with a substantial exposure to COVID-19.	
Rhode Island	Department of Labor and Training Emergency Rule	The Department has adopted an emergency rule that states that in the event that an individual's unemployment is due to State of Emergency, the waiting period for unemployment benefits or workshare benefits be waived. Every claimant who has been medically diagnosed with COVID-19 or quarantined as a result of potential exposure to COVID-19 within the calendar week in which the first day of unemployment due to sickness occurs or within the calendar week prior or subsequent thereto and who files a claim for benefit credits under R.I. Gen. Laws § 28-41-15(a) shall be entitled to such for each week of unemployment due to sickness if person meets specified requirements.	Effective
Washington	Employment Security Department Emergency Rule	<p>The Department issued emergency rules to enhance the flexibility of the unemployment insurance program. Workers will be able to receive unemployment benefits and employers will get relief of benefit charges if an employer needs to curtail or shut down operations temporarily because a worker becomes sick and other workers need to be isolated or quarantined as a result of COVID-19.</p> <p>A worker that follows guidance issued by a medical or public health official to isolate or quarantine themselves as a result of exposure to COVID-19 and is not receiving paid sick leave from their employer, may be eligible to receive unemployment benefits.</p> <p>If a worker falls seriously ill and is forced to quit, they may qualify for Paid Family Medical Leave while ill under the existing program. Once recovered and available for work, they may apply for unemployment benefits.</p> <p>It removes the full-time requirement and expands standby ability to part time/less than full-time workers who are isolated.</p>	Effective
Washington	Office of the Insurance Commissioner Emergency Order No. 20-01	<p>The Insurance Commissioner of the state of Washington orders all health carriers, authorized or admitted to offer health plans, or short-term limited duration medical plans, to cover, prior to application of any deductible and with no cost-sharing, the health care provider visit and FDA-authorized coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) testing for enrollees who meet the CDC criteria for testing, as determined by the enrollee's health care provider.</p> <p>Carriers must allow enrollees to obtain a one-time refill of their covered prescription medications prior to the expiration of the waiting period between refills so that enrollees can maintain an adequate supply of necessary medication. Carriers may take into consideration patient safety risks associated with early refills for certain drug classes, such as opioids, benzodiazepines and stimulants.</p> <p>Carriers must suspend any prior authorization requirements that apply to covered diagnostic testing and treatment of COVID-19.</p> <p>Carriers must ensure compliance with WAC 284-170-200(5), which requires that if a carrier has an insufficient number or type of providers in their network to provide testing and treatment of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the carrier must ensure that the enrollee obtains the covered service from a provider or facility within reasonable proximity of the enrollee at no greater cost than if the provider were in-network.</p>	Effective

Local Action

City, State	Action	Summary	Status	Link
New York City, NY	School Closures	New York City public schools will be closed 3/16 – 4/20.	Active	Click Here
New York City, NY	Retail Closure – Executive Order	Mayor Bill de Blasio has ordered all restaurants, bars and cafes to close in-person consumption. Take-out and delivery is available. All nightclubs, movie theaters, small theater houses, and concert venues must close by March 17.	Active	Click Here
Nashville, TN	Retail Closure – Mayor’s Guidance	Mayor John Cooper has recommended all bars to close until further notice. He also called for restaurants to limit seating to under 50% capacity and to seat no more than 100 people. This was a press release. This was released March 15.	Active	Click Here
Kansas City, MO	Mass Gatherings – Mayor’s Order	Mayor Quinton Lucas has declared a state of emergency and has prohibited events or gatherings with more than 50 attendees for the next 8 weeks.	Active	Click Here
Seattle, WA	Emergency Order	Mayor Jenny Durkan signed an emergency order to put into place a temporary moratorium on residential evictions in response to COVID-19.	Active	Click Here
Jacksonville, FL	Mass Gatherings – Mayor’s Order	Mayor Lenny Curry has ordered many establishments, including bars, restaurants, movie theaters and churches, to limit attendance to no more than 50 people as of March 16. This limit is specifically for social situations, such as “shopping at the mall, eating out, and going to the movies.”	Active	Click Here
Miami Beach, FL	Retail Closure; Mass Gatherings – Administration Directive	Non-essential businesses citywide will be required to close daily by 10 p.m. until further notice, and restaurants, bars and nightclubs should decrease their capacity by 50 percent to create social distancing. Businesses excluded from this mandate include: pharmacies, grocery stores, convenience stores, private offices, banks, hotels, hospitals, medical service providers, medical supply stores, hardware stores, gasoline service stations and automotive supply/repair centers. All public beaches will be closed. A curfew has been established within the boundaries of the MXE district from 11:00PM to 5:00AM. All City-owned garages and City-owned surface parking lots are closed.	Active	Click Here
Philadelphia, PA	Retail Closure – Mayor’s Directive	Mayor Jim Kenney has ordered all non-essential businesses, all dine-in food establishments, and all City buildings to close. This does not apply to grocery stores, big box stores, pharmacies, gas stations, discount stores, mini-markets, non-specialized food stores, daycare, banks, post offices, laundromats, dry cleaners, or vet clinics.	Active	Click Here
Boston, MA	Public School Closure	Mayor Marty Walsh announced that public schools in the City will close 3/17 – 4/27.	Active	Click Here
Boston, MA	Construction Sites Closure	Mayor Marty Walsh announced that effective March 17 all regular activity at construction sites in the City will be suspended.	Active	Click Here