



## Ivey Orders Alabama to 'Stay at Home'



Earlier this afternoon, Governor Kay Ivey announced that she was mandating a 'Stay at Home' order for the entire state of Alabama. She cited Alabama's increasing numbers of confirmed COVID-19 cases, stating that previous restrictions had not been adequate and "more has to be done". Ivey and State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris issued the order for Alabama residents to stay at home except for "essential activities" effective at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

[Read the Full Order Here](#)

## Summary of Liability Protection from Starnes, Davis Florie, LLP



Governor Ivey's March 13, 2020 Proclamation declared a state public health emergency. Starnes, Davis, Florie, LLP has drafted a summary with some guidance on documentation for physicians concerning some protection in response to potential liability issues facing physicians during the COVID-19 declared emergency.

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## Summary of Telehealth Waivers from Burr Forman



The changes made to the requirements for telehealth services since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic have been swift and substantial. For the first several weeks, it seems changes were made almost daily. As time has passed, the changes to telehealth have stabilized enough that a summary of the current telehealth issues is possible. However, changes may still be forthcoming so the following is a summary of the significant topics related to providing telehealth services as of the date of this article. Physicians should continue to monitor announcements related to telehealth requirements as changes will surely continue to evolve.

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## Medical Association Sponsored Calls and Webinars Scheduled Next Week

The Medical Association is working with some of our strategic partners to provide several updates next week regarding COVID-19 issues. These updates are expected to include the following:

1. Conference Call with State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris  
**Monday, April 6th at 7PM**  
**Dial in Number: 1-800-341-6228 USA**  
**Passcode: 750761**
2. Conference Call with Warren Averett regarding SBA loans  
**Tuesday, April 7th at 7PM**  
**Dial in Number: 1-800-341-6228 USA**  
**Passcode: 750761**
3. Webinar with coding expert Kim Huey to discuss Medicare Telehealth coding policy
4. Webinar with our partner Cobbs Allen to provide information COVID-19 Impact on Employer Health and Welfare Programs
  - How are physician practices responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic?
  - What additional healthcare benefits, leave, and paid time off do you need to offer, and who is eligible?
  - Furloughs, Layoffs, Temporary Shutdowns
  - FFCRA – How does the Families First Coronavirus Response Act impact Healthcare employers?
  - FMLA Expansion, Paid Sick Leave, and Group Health Plan Benefit Mandate

**Further details will be released next week.**

## COVID-19: AMA's National Physician Townhall



The American Medical Association invites you to a live conversation with AMA President Patrice A. Harris, MD, MA, and a panel of AMA health care experts on challenges and concerns facing physicians during this unprecedented COVID-19 crisis.

As we work together on the front lines and beyond to defeat COVID-19, the AMA wants to hear from you and channel your collective voices into action.

Attendance is limited. Please register immediately and reserve your seat.

If you do not have access to a web-enabled device to attend the webinar, you can [register here](#) for phone-in only access (listen only, no question submission).

Please tweet your questions in advance to @AmerMedicalAssn and use the hashtag #AMASocial

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