**COVID-19 Directives to Regional Centers**

Highlighted directives have expiration dates.

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| 1 | 3/12/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/COVID-19_2020StatewideStateofEmergency_20200312.pdf) | State of Emergency – nonresidential services billing for absences  | [T17 §54326(a)(11)](https://govt.westlaw.com/calregs/Document/I58C145B0D60711DE88AEDDE29ED1DC0A?viewType=FullText&originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=CategoryPageItem&contextData=(sc.Default)) | DDS’ authorization of retainer payments ended 8/31/2020 per DDS’ [7/17/2020 directive](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/DDSDirective_Providing-ClaimingNonresidentialServices_07172020.pdf) |
| 2 | 3/12/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_DayServices_COVID-19_20200312.pdf) | Day services for high risk consumers in ARFPSHNs, ICF/DD-N and ICF/DD-CN – stay home rather than attend day services; references 3/12/2020 State of Emergency letter | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | Superseded by [8/10/2020 directive](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/DDSDirectiv_DayServices-HighRisk_08102020.pdf)*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020, 5/8/2020, 6/8/2020 and 7/10/2020 directives* |
| 3 | 3/12/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_RequirementWaivedDueCOVID_031220.pdf) | Requirements waived:* Early Start in-person meetings
* Early Start remote services
* Lanterman Act in-person meetings
* Health & Safety Waiver Exemptions
 | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/7/2020*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020, 5/8/2020, 6/8/2020, 7/10/2020, 8/10/2020, 9/2/2020, 10/7/2020 and 10/28/2020 directives* |
| 4 | 3/18/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_AdditionalWaivedRequirements_03182020.pdf) | Requirements waived and additional guidance:* Lanterman Act remote services/alternate locations
* Supplemental staffing for residential providers
* Day program services
* Public meetings
* WIC §4731 complaints
* DDS audits and reviews
* HCBS self-assessments
* Direct Support Professional Training
* FAQs
 | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/13/2020*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020, 5/8/2020, 6/8/2020, 7/15/2020, 8/10/2020, 9/2/2020, 10/7/2020 and 10/28/2020 directives* |
| 5 | 3/20/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_RCPlacementRequests_03202020.pdf) | Requesting DDS approval for any placement in a CDSS or CDPH licensed residential setting | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | Rescinded in [6/8/2020 directive](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/DDSDirective_Extensions_06082020.pdf) |
| 6 | 3/23/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_RiskManagement_03232020.pdf) | Immediate risk mitigation strategies for ARFPSHN and ICF/DD-CN | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | No expiration date; effective until rescinded |
| 7 | 3/23/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_VisitsToLicensedResidentailFacilities_03232020.pdf) | Limiting visits to any licensed residential facility to medical personnel and government agencies including DDS and RCs | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | No expiration date; effective until rescinded |
| 8 | 3/25/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_ReportingCOVID19Incidents_03252020.pdf) | Reporting incidents related to COVID-19 in SANDIS | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | No expiration date; effective until rescinded |
| 9 | 3/25/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_AdmissionsandDischarges_03252020.pdf) | Admissions to and discharges from State-operated facilities | [EO N-35-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.21.20-EO-N-35-20.pdf) | Expired on 5/20/2020*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020 directive* |
| 10 | 3/25/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_RequirementsWaived_03252020.pdf) | Requirements waived:* Lanterman Act in-person eligibility meetings and assessments, presumptive eligibility determinations
* CPR and first aid training for in-home respite workers
* Annual Family Program Fee & Family Cost Participation Program requirements
 | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/20/2020*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020, 5/18/2020, 6/8/2020, 7/15/2020, 8/10/2020, 9/2/2020, 10/7/2020 and 10/28/2020 directives* |
| 11 | 3/30/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/DDSDirective_AdditionalParticipantDirectedServices_03302020.pdf) | Additional participant-directed services – personal assistance, independent living, supported employment | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/25/2020*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020, 5/8/2020, 6/8/2020, 7/28/2020, 8/10/2020, 9/2/2020, 10/7/2020 and 10/28/2020 directives* |
| 12 | 4/2/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/DDSDirective_Extensions_04022020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond initial expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[EO N-35-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.21.20-EO-N-35-20.pdf) [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 13 | 4/15/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/DDSDirective_Requirements-Waived_04152020.pdf) | Requirements waived:* Residential facility absence payments
* Health & Safety Waiver Exemptions for Alternative Residential Model homes
* Vendor fiscal audits
* Home and Community-Based Services Final Rule compliance information
* EBSH/CCH Registered Behavior Technician certification
* Competitive Integrated Employment Incentive Payments
* Parental Fees
 | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/11/2020*Expiration date extended in 4/2/2020, 5/8/2020, 6/8/2020, 7/15/2020, 8/10/2020, 9/2/2020, 10/7/2020 and 10/28/2020 directives* |
| 14 | 5/8/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/DDSDirective_Extensions_05082020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 15 | 5/18/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/DDSDirective_Extensions_05182020.pdf) | Extension of Directive 02-032520 – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | N/A |
| 16 | 5/22/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/DDSDirective_AmendingSIRReporting_05222020.pdf) | Amended Requirements for Reporting Special Incidents Related to COVID-19 in SANDIS | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | No expiration date; effective until rescinded |
| 17 | 6/8/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/DDSDirective_Extensions_06082020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 18 | 6/15/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/DDSDirective_ExtensionEarlyStartServices_06152020.pdf) | Extension of Early Start services | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/12/2020*Expiration date extended in 7/15/2020, 8/10/2020, 9/2/2020, 10/7/2020 and 10/28/2020 directives* |
| 19 | 6/22/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/DDSDierctive_CriminalBackgroundChecks_06222020.pdf) | Criminal Background Checks for Self-Determination Program and Family Home Agencies | [EO N-68-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/6.5.20-EO-N-68-20.pdf) | Expired 7/31/2020 per EO |
| 20 | 7/10/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/DDSDirective_Extensions_07102020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 21 | 7/15/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/DDSDirective_Extensions_07152020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 22 | 7/17/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/DDSDirective_Providing-ClaimingNonresidentialServices_07172020.pdf) | Providing and Claiming for Nonresidential Services During the State of Emergency  | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | Superseded by [8/31/2020 directive](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/DDSDirective_Policies-ProceduresAlternativeNonresidentialServices_08312020.pdf) |
| 23 | 7/28/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/DDSDirective_Extensions_07282020.pdf) | Extension of Directive 01-033020 – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | N/A |
| 24 | 8/10/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/DDSDirective_Extensions_08102020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 25 | 8/10/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/DDSDirectiv_DayServices-HighRisk_08102020.pdf) | Day Services for Consumers at High Risk for Serious Illness due to COVID-19 | [WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | No expiration date; effective until rescinded |
| 26 | 8/31/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/DDSDirective_Policies-ProceduresAlternativeNonresidentialServices_08312020.pdf) | Policies and Procedures for Utilizing Alternative Nonresidential Services During the COVID-19 State of Emergency | [EO N-75-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/8.24.20-EO-N-75-20-COVID-19.pdf) | No expiration date; effective until rescinded |
| 27 | 9/2/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/DDSDirective_Extensions_09022020-1.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 28 | 10/2/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/DDSDierctive_Waiver-HalfDayBilling-DayServices_10022020.pdf) | Waiver of Half-Day Billing Requirements for Day Services | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf) | 12/1/2020*Expiration date extended in 10/28/2020 directive* |
| 29 | 10/7/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/DDSDirective_Extensions_10072020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |
| 30 | 10/28/2020[(view letter)](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/DDSDirective_Extensions_10282020.pdf) | Extension of numerous directives/waivers – an additional 30 days beyond current expiration date | [EO N-25-20](https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.12.20-EO-N-25-20-COVID-19.pdf)[WIC §4639.6](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=4639.6.&lawCode=WIC) | N/A |