Dear Colleagues:

Please read the following Executive Orders issued by Governor Reeves 4/10/2020.

Exec. Order 1470 mandates a delay for all surgeries or procedures not immediately necessary, through April 27, 2020.

https://www.sos.ms.gov/content/executiveorders/ExecutiveOrders/1470.pdf

Exec. Order 1471 provides immunity from civil liability for care provided related to COVID-19 and provides flexibility for licensing bodies to waive regulations in support of bringing healthcare services in support of Mississippi's COVID-19 response.

https://www.sos.ms.gov/content/executiveorders/ExecutiveOrders/1471.pdf

Regards,

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Alerting Message Specification Settings

Originating Agency: Mississippi State Department of Health
Alerting Program: MS Health Alert Network (MS HAN)
Message Identifier: MSHAN-20200411-00440-ALT
Program (HAN) Type: Health Alert
Status (Type): Actual
Message Type: Alert
Reference: MSHAN-00440
Severity: Unknown
Acknowledgement: No
Sensitive: Not Sensitive
Message Expiration: Undetermined
Urgency: Undetermined
Delivery Time: 600 minutes

**Definition of Alerting Vocabulary and Message Specification Settings**

Originating Agency: A unique identifier for the agency originating the alert.

Alerting Program: The program sending the alert or engaging in alerts and communications using PHIN Communication and Alerting (PCA) as a vehicle for their delivery.

Message Identifier: A unique alert identifier that is generated upon alert activation (MSHAN-yyymmdd-hhmm-TTT (ALT=Health Alert, ADV=Health Advisory, UPD=Health Update, MSG/INFO=Message/Info Service)).

Program (HAN) Type: Categories of Health Alert Messages.

**Health Alert:** Conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention.

**Health Advisory:** Provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.

**Health Update:** Provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action.

**Health Info Service:** Provides Message / Notification of general public health information; unlikely to require immediate action.

Status (Type):
- **Actual:** Communication or alert refers to a live event
- **Exercise:** Designated recipients must respond to the communication or alert
- **Test:** Communication or alert is related to a technical, system test and should be disregarded
Message Type:

Alert: Indicates an original Alert
Update: Indicates prior alert has been Updated and/or superseded
Cancel: Indicates prior alert has been cancelled
Error: Indicates prior alert has been retracted

Reference: For a communication or alert with a Message Type of “Update” or “Cancel”, this attribute contains the unique Message Identifier of the original communication or alert being updated or cancelled. “n/a” = Not Applicable.

Severity:

Extreme: Extraordinary threat to life or property
Severe: Significant threat to life or property
Moderate: Possible threat to life or property
Minor: Minimal threat to life or property
Unknown: Unknown threat to life or property

Acknowledgement: Indicates whether an acknowledgement on the part of the recipient is required to confirm that the alert was received, and the timeframe in which a response is required (Yes or No).

Sensitive:

Sensitive: Indicates the alert contains sensitive content
Not Sensitive: Indicates non-sensitive content

Message Expiration: Undetermined.

Urgency: Undetermined. Responsive action should be taken immediately.

Delivery Time: Indicates the timeframe for delivery of the alert (15, 60, 1440, 4320 minutes (.25, 1, 24, 72 hours)).