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## IOWA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM — COVID-19 RESPONSE

**COVID-19 Webpage.** The lowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) has created a COVID-19 webpage to provide updates to members and employers. The webpage is located at: www.ipers.org/covid-19.

**In-Person Counseling.** Effective beginning March 16, 2020, and until further notice, the IPERS building is closed to visitors and in-person counseling sessions have been suspended. Instead, counseling sessions will take place by phone or online.

Governor's Proclamation Permitting Certain IPERS Retirees to Return to Work. On March 26, 2020, Governor Reynolds signed a proclamation permitting Licensed Health Care Provider retirees, any Public Health Employee retiree, and Special Service Member retirees to return to work. The proclamation applied to licensed heath care professionals who were previously employed by a hospital pursuant to lowa Code chapter 135B, any State or local government public health employee, any employee of the protection occupation group as defined by Iowa Code section 97B.49B(1)(e), and any sheriff or deputy sheriff as defined by Iowa Code section 97B.49C(1)(b) or (c). Extensions were provided on April 2, 2020, through April 30, 2020, at 11:59 p.m. and on April 27, 2020, through May 27, 2020, at 11:59 p.m.

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