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### COVID-19 — GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATIONS — JUNE 10, 2020

#### Proclamation of Disaster Emergency, June 10, 2020

Governor Reynolds proclaimed a State of Disaster Emergency on March 9, 2020, in response to the outbreak of COVID-19 following a national public health emergency declaration issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services on January 31, 2020, and multiple individuals within the State of Iowa testing presumptive positive for COVID-19. The Governor issued an additional Proclamation of Disaster Emergency on March 13, 2020, establishing a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency.

On June 10, 2020, the Governor issued an additional [Proclamation of Disaster Emergency](#), which, in addition to encouraging all vulnerable Iowans to limit activities outside the home, ordered the following measures:

- Effective June 12, 2020, the following businesses may reopen or remain open to the extent that the establishments comply with social distancing guidelines and undertake increased hygiene practices:
  - Restaurants and bars.
  - Fitness centers.
  - Casinos and gaming facilities.
  - Senior citizen centers and adult daycare facilities.
  - Salons and barbershops.
  - Medical spas.
  - Theaters and performance venues.
  - Racetracks.
  - Malls, to the extent that all play areas or playgrounds remain closed.
  - Museums.
  - Aquariums.
  - Zoos.
  - Libraries.
  - Indoor playgrounds or children's play centers and swimming pools.
  - Entertainment halls including bowling alleys, arcades, and pool halls.
  - Amusement parks.
  - Campgrounds.
  - Tanning facilities.
  - Massage therapy establishments.
  - Tattoos establishments.
  - Other retail establishments.

- Social, community, and sporting events of more than 10 people may be held if the gathering complies with social distancing guidelines and increased hygiene practices.
- Nonessential or elective surgeries and procedures may be conducted if further delay of the procedure would pose a significant risk to the quality of life of the individual so long as the hospital or provider complies with the following requirements:
  - A hospital or provider must have adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) to support continued operations and respond to an unexpected surge in a timely manner.
  - A hospital or provider must have a plan to conserve PPE consistent with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Iowa Department of Public Health.
  - A hospital or provider must have a plan for timely COVID-19 testing of symptomatic patients and staff to rapidly mitigate potential clusters of infection.
  - A hospital must continue to accept and treat COVID-19 patients and must not transfer COVID-19 patients to create capacity for elective procedures.
  - A hospital must reserve at least 10.0% of intensive care beds and 10.0% of medical/surgical beds for COVID-19 patients.
  - A hospital or provider must limit all nonessential individuals in surgery and procedure suites and patient care areas where PPE is required.
  - A hospital or provider that begins conducting surgeries or procedures as authorized by this Proclamation must cease conducting such surgeries or procedures if it at any time is no longer able to comply with the above described requirements.

For additional information regarding the Proclamation of a State Disaster Emergency, see the LSA [Legal Background Briefing](#).

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