**Louisiana Specific Resources:**

*Questions about COVID-19 now being answered by Louisiana 211 statewide network*

Governor’s Office Newsroom: [https://gov.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/newsroom/category/9](https://gov.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/newsroom/category/9)


LDH Medicaid Provider Updates/ Memos: [http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/3872](http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/3872)


**Federal Funds Available for Physicians Practices:**

*Cares Act Article*

**Healthcare Provider Wellness:**

FREE therapy for healthcare professionals during COVID-19


Physician and Mental Health Providers - Burnout During COVID-19


*How Healthcare Personnel Can Take Care of Themselves* (CSTS)

*Taking Care of Family Well-Being* (National Child Traumatic Stress Network, NCTSN)

*Supporting Homebound Children During COVID-19* (CSTS)

*Supporting Your Family During Quarantine or Isolation: Tips for Social Distancing, Quarantine, and Isolation during an Infectious Disease Outbreak* (SAMHSA)

*Be Aware of Scams*

Consumers and healthcare facilities have been targeted by scammers pretending to be representatives of CDC or WHO and asking for personal information, donations, etc.
Treating Patients Remotely: Telemedicine and COVID-19

On March 6, 2020, the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act was signed into law. This statute gives the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) the authority to waive geographic and originating site Medicare telehealth reimbursement restrictions for mental health services overall, during certain emergency periods.

CMS released guidance on March 17, 2020, that now allows patients to be seen via live videoconferencing in their homes, without having to travel to a qualifying “originating site” for Medicare telehealth encounters, regardless of geographic location.

Telemedicine Informed Consent Sample Forms

Sample Informed Consent for Telemedicine Services

Consent for Telehealth Services and Treatment

Telemedicine Forms

Patient Support Resources:

Helping Patients Manage the Psychological Effects of Quarantine and Isolation (CSTS)

Supporting the Mental Health of Patients During COVID-19: A Guide for Healthcare Personnel (CSTS)

Helping People Manage Stress Associated with the COVID-19 Virus Outbreak (National Center for PTSD)

Supporting Patients During Quarantine or Confinement (CSTS)

Care for Critically Ill Patients With COVID-19 (JAMA Insights: Clinical Update, March 11, 2020)

Healthcare & Community Leaders:

How Public Health Leaders Can Support Communities Dealing with Quarantine (CSTS)

Health Risk and Crisis Communication to Enhance Community Wellness (CSTS)

Addressing Stigma Associated with COVID-19 (World Health Organization)
Information from the CDC:

What you need to know

Guidance on prevention and control

Guidance for travelers

Coronavirus Stigma and Resilience

Mental Health and Coping During COVID-19