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PROVIDER UPDATE

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To: IMCare Providers
From: Sarah Anderson, IMCare Director
Date: July 15, 2021
RE: COVID-19 waiver wind down

On June 30, the Minnesota Legislature [voted to end the state peacetime emergency](#) effective Thursday, July 1, 2021, at 11:59 p.m. This will end the COVID-19 Peacetime Emergency authority the Department of Human Services has under Executive Orders 20-11 and 20-12 to seek federal authority to change or waive federal requirements and to modify and waive certain statutes and rules related to DHS programs. The commissioner used this temporary authority to waive or modify requirements so that Minnesotans could continue to access essential programs and services safely and without undue delay during the pandemic. The flexibilities were designed to support counties, tribes, health plans and community partners in caring for Minnesotans throughout the peacetime emergency. During this time, IMCare issued many provider updates regarding these waivers and the pandemic.

IMCare will be following all DHS related changes now that the Minnesota Legislature has ended the peacetime emergency. Specific waivers and expiration dates can be found at:

<https://mn.gov/dhs/waivers-and-modifications/>

Please refer to this web page regularly as information is changing rapidly, please continue to monitor provider updates and our website for the most accurate, up to date information. If you have questions, please reach out or encourage members to reach out, to our call center at 218-327-6188, toll-free at 1-800-843-9536 or email imcare.office@co.itasca.mn.us.