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A MESSAGE FROM THE NMAPTA PRESIDENT

NMAPTA Members:

I hope this e-mail finds you all well and at home with your loved ones. I would like to give you a brief update on what NMAPTA has been doing on behalf of our members in regards to COVID-19 and the Public Health Orders that have been released by the State. We are aware there has been confusion, as the language in the orders have not been clear. I have sent the Governor two letters seeking clarity on the last two orders, one seeking clarification on "walk in care health facility" and the second to request support for telehealth and to mandate that private payers pay for it. I have promised members that NMAPTA will provide the response from the Governor when it is received. If you would like to view the latest letter to the Governor, please click [HERE](#).

NMAPTA is unable to give legal advice to businesses or individual therapists on how to interpret the Public Health Orders. All licensees must abide by the Orders and business owners need to make their own decision on interpretation, consulting their legal counsel on the best way to move forward. What we can do is seek clarity where there is confusion. We can also share information about telehealth, payers, etc.... If you would like to reach out to the Governor as an individual, asking for telehealth and mandating that private payers pay for it, please click [HERE](#) for a form letter that you can use. Once you customize the letter, send [HERE](#).

I appreciate each and every one of you and can assure you that we are working for you to get the latest updates out so that you can continue to do the good work that you do, whether in the clinic or elsewhere during this unsure time.

Genia Devenport, PT, MS
President, NMAPTA

HOT OFF THE PRESS: CHARTS FROM APTA TRACK PAYER, GOVERNMENT TELEHEALTH POLICIES

Please see below for the links to the payers that have adopted/implemented some version of digital/telerehab during this crisis. We will continue to update these charts as information is gathered.

<http://www.apta.org/PTinMotion/News/2020/03/27/TelehealthCharts/>

These new resources from APTA are intended to be used as quick-reference guides to help you stay on top of changes in whether and how telehealth can be used in physical therapy - PTs should still check with payers and state governments.

Keeping up with the rapidly changing telehealth environment during the COVID-19 pandemic can be dizzying. APTA can help steady things.

Now available from APTA: A regularly updated set of resources that track payment and regulatory policies related to the provision of telehealth by PTs. The resources exist in five separate files:

- [Federal payer telehealth or e-visit coverage](#)
- [Commercial payer telehealth or e-visit coverage](#)
- [State-mandated executive orders related to telehealth](#)
- [State emergency orders permitting PTs to provide telehealth services](#)
- [Occupational medicine provider telehealth or e-visit coverage](#)

APTA WEBINAR ON IMPLEMENTING TELEHEALTH IN YOUR PRACTICE STAT!

Date: Monday, March 30, 2020

Time: 3:00 pm, ET

Presenters: Todd Norwood, PT, DPT; Ellen Morello; Sarah Gallagher, PT, DPT, Christin Tate, PT, DPT, Samantha Dutrow Norwood, PT, DPT, CSCS

Intended Audience: Physical therapist assistants, physical therapists, and students of physical therapy

Location: Facebook Live via

Cost: Free

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