

IOWA COVID-19

January 7, 2022

GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS

State of Emergency: On January 7th, the Governor continued the [Proclamation of Disaster Emergency](#) through February 6, 2022 at 11:59 p.m., unless sooner terminated or extended in writing.

Per Section Five of this order, non-Iowa licensed doctors and medical staff are temporarily allowed to practice in Iowa as long as they are licensed to practice in another state.

Legislation:

Liability Immunity: On June 18, 2020 the Governor signed [Senate File 2338](#), which grants liability immunity to health care providers. In part, the Bill states, *"a health care provider shall not be liable for civil damages for causing or contributing, directly or indirectly, to the death or injury of an individual as a result of the health care provider's acts or omissions while providing or arranging health care in support of the state's response to COVID-19."* Liability does not apply when the acts are reckless or willful misconduct. This Bill is retroactive to January 1, 2020.