

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-02  
(Emergency Measures for COVID-19)**

**WHEREAS**, due to the emergency caused by COVID-19, it is necessary to waive emergency medical services regulations to ensure that emergency service providers and trauma centers can effectively and efficiently respond to the emergency, including adequately providing for the transportation of medical support personal and ill and exposed persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization officially declared a pandemic due to COVID-19 on March 11, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Arizona, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic issued a Declaration of Emergency on March 11, 2020, authorizing the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services to coordinate all matters pertaining to the public health emergency response of the State in accordance with A.R.S. Title 36, Chapter 6, Article 9; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services, pursuant to the Declaration of Emergency and as authorized by A.R.S §§ 26-307(A) and 36-787(A), may make, amend, and rescind orders, rules, and regulations necessary for emergency functions and shall coordinate all matters pertaining to the public health emergency response of the state; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Cara Christ, M.D., M.S., by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services and in order to address the State of Emergency, hereby order as follows:

1. The following regulations in the Arizona Administrative Code (“A.A.C.”) are temporarily waived:

- A.A.C. R9-25-101(22);
- A.A.C. R9-25-201(A)(1)(f)(i), (ii) and (iii);
- A.A.C. R9-25-202(B)(1)(f);
- A.A.C. R9-25-203(C)(3)(a) and (b)(i);
- A.A.C. R9-25-301(D)(1) and (E);
- A.A.C. R9-25-304(E)(1);
- A.A.C. R9-25-305(A)(4)(c)(ii);
- A.A.C. R9-25-401(C);
- A.A.C. R9-25-404(A)(1) and (2) and (F)(1), (2) and (3);
- A.A.C. R9-25-405(B)(2);
- A.A.C. R9-25-502 and Table 5.1;
- A.A.C. R9-25-504(B)(1), (B)(2)(a)(ii), (B)(2)(a)(iii) and (B)(2)(c);
- A.A.C. R9-25-704(B);
- A.A.C. R9-25-802(E) and (F);
- A.A.C. R9-25-904(A), (B) and (C);
- A.A.C. R9-25-907;
- A.A.C. R9-25-908;
- A.A.C. R9-25-910(A);
- A.A.C. R9-25-1001(B) and (C);
- A.A.C. R9-25-1004; and
- A.A.C. R9-25-1308(B)(6)(c) and (F)(10)(a) and (b).


2. Notwithstanding the above waivers, if the Arizona Department of Health Services becomes aware of actions taken by emergency service providers and trauma centers as result of the waivers that jeopardize the health, safety and welfare of the public, the Arizona Department of Health Services will take additional action as necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.
3. This Order and all temporary waivers of regulations contained herein shall be in effect for ninety days unless terminated earlier.

Having authority to do so under Arizona law, I have executed this Order on this day 24<sup>th</sup> of March, 2020.



**Cara Christ, M.D., M.S., Director, Arizona Department of Health Services**

ON this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020,  
Cara Christ, M.D., M.S., Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services, signed and acknowledged this document in my presence.

  
Notary Public