

State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health

HEALTHCARE FACILITY NOTICE NOTICE #2020-COVID19- DENTAL PROVIDER -004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO:

All Dental Providers in Louisiana

FROM:

LDH Office of Public Health

Jimmy Guidry, State Health Officer

RE:

Routine, Non-Essential Visits, Procedures and Surgeries

DATE:

March 17, 2020

The State of Louisiana, Department of Health ("LDH"), is committed to taking critical steps to ensure public health and safety; to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the State of Louisiana, Department of Health, is **DIRECTING AND REQUIRING** that all providers of dental services (including dentists and hygienists) in Louisiana adhere to the following provisions, restrictions, and limitations, **EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**:

A. DENTAL VISITS, PROCEDURES AND SURGERIES,

A.1 The State of Louisiana, Department of Health, hereby prohibits all routine, non-essential dental visits and all routine, non-essential dental procedures/surgeries in Louisiana for thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. This thirty (30) day period shall run from March 18, 2020, through April 16, 2020, unless otherwise extended in writing by the Department.

A.2 Each provider of dental services shall immediately notify its clients and families of this closure.

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