

# UPDATE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



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Dear Members,

On February 13, Governor Baker signed a broad spending bill that contained three major provisions impacting assisted living. First, the allowance for assisted living nurses to provide skilled services was reinstated until July 15 or the end of the Public Health Emergency, whichever is sooner. Additionally, the training flexibilities and special care staffing exceptions previously in place also will be allowed for this same time period. Lastly, the liability protection previously in place for providers where care was impacted by COVID-19 also was reinstated for the period of November 22, 2021, through February 28, 2022. We applaud the Legislature and Governor Baker for extending these important provisions.

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*If you have any questions, please contact us at [Mass-ALA@mass-ala.org](mailto:Mass-ALA@mass-ala.org)*

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