



**SOUTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**

**RESCISSION OF PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER No. COVID-19-4**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:**


On July 15, 2020, Joan M. Duwve, as Public Health Director, issued Public Health Order No. COVID-19-4, directing all hospitals licensed by the State of South Carolina, with the exception of Institutional General Infirmaries and Privately-Owned Educational Institutional Infirmaries, to report daily using Teletracking or HHS Protect;

**WHEREAS**, Public Health Order No. COVID-19-4 stated that the Order was effective immediately and must remain in effect unless otherwise modified, amended, or rescinded by subsequent order; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 2, 2020, the Federal Register published an interim rule with comment period (IFC) (85 FR 54820);

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has released new regulatory requirements for all hospitals and critical access hospitals at 42 C.F.R. §§482.42(e) and 485.640(d), respectively, to report information in accordance with a frequency and in a standardized format as specified by the Secretary of the US Department of Health & Human Services during the Public Health Emergency for COVID-19;

**ACCORDINGLY**, I now RESCIND Public Health Order No. COVID-19-4 issued on July 15, 2020. This Rescission is effective immediately. All applicable statutes, regulations, and guidance not consistent with this Rescission remain in effect.

  
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