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COVID-19 Resources

Each Friday Virginia Health Catalyst shares the latest resources for COVID-19. For more up-to-date resources visit the Catalyst [COVID-19 resource page](#).

Teledentistry Update

Smiles for Children (Virginia's Medicaid dental program) is preparing to reimburse for teledentistry services, based on recently released [ADA guidance](#). This will enable providers to triage patients and conduct-problem focused evaluations while limiting office visits. While we await Virginia-specific regulations, the resources below provide information to help offices begin to put in place necessary protocols so they are ready when the guidance is final:

- [Teledentistry Workflow](#) (Dr. McAllister Castelaz)

A high-level guide to help clinicians and administrators implement teledentistry during COVID-19. This workflow guidance will be updated as more information about teledentistry in Virginia is available.

- [Teledentistry Platform Options](#) (Dr. McAllister Castelaz)

This spreadsheet curates potential platforms that clinics can utilize to communicate with patients via teledentistry. It includes HIPPA compliant and non-HIPPA compliant forms. It is updated continually.

- [ADA COVID-19 Coding and Billing Interim Guidance](#) (American Dental Association – ADA)

This ADA-issued guidance details coding and billing for teledentistry during COVID-19. This document is being updated continuously as more information becomes available.

- [Patient Assessment for Teledentistry](#) (Teledent)

This document provides tips and recommendations on how to have a successful teledentistry visit. It includes information for patients on how to use teledentistry, such as angles for photos, as well as information for providers on questions to ask.

As more information is available Catalyst will share additional teledentistry resources on the [COVID-19 resource page](#).

CARES Act Resources

Organizations, **including nonprofits**, can begin applying for payroll protection loans today. These loans, if used to cover payroll and other allowable expenses, are eligible for forgiveness. If you are considering applying for a loan but don't know where to start and your bank is an SBA (small business authority) lender (most are) they can walk you through the process.

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This is a high-level overview of how the CARES Act impacts nonprofits. It includes information on donations, as well as business loans.

- [Loans Available for Nonprofits in CARES Act](#) (National Council of Nonprofits)
Under the CARES Act, nonprofits can apply for business loans. This grid provides an overview of the loans available including information on how to apply.

- [COVID-19 and CARES Act FAQ for Health Centers](#) (Health Resources and Services Administration – HRSA)
HRSA’s FAQ page, which is updated daily, includes information for health centers around funding during COVID-19. The FAQ includes information on who is eligible for the additional funding, the duration of the funds, and how to apply.

- [CARES Act in the States: Targeting New Health Funding in a Time of Crisis](#) (National Academy for State Health Policy)
This is an analysis of state considerations for spending the CARES Act funding. It includes information related to how the funding can be used for public health, including Medicaid.



Clinical Resources:

- [ADA Report: Guidelines for using antibiotics on urgent management of dental pain and swelling](#) (American Dental Association – ADA)
The ADA summarized clinical recommendations for the use of antibiotics in urgent situations. The document includes a workflow to determine the right course of action for a patient.

- [Medical Society of Virginia COVID-19 Resource Center](#) (Medical Society of Virginia – MSV)
This website includes resources for clinicians like infection control and PPE protocols, coverage and telehealth information, business news, and staff/patient education.



Operational Resources:

- [Virginia Dental Safety Net Clinics – Emergency Care and COVID-19 Testing](#) (Virginia Health Catalyst)
This is an updated list of operating status for dental safety nets in Virginia, it includes information on if emergency services are available, and if the clinic is a COVID-19 testing site.

- [Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\) Burn Rate Calculator](#) (Centers for Disease Control – CDC)
The CDC has developed a downloadable spreadsheet that allows clinics to calculate the average consumption or “burn” rate for different types of PPE.

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