

Government Relations

- The President signed an order banning the use of choke holds. Police with a history of violence will be assessed.
- Pence stated that there is no second wave of coronavirus. However, the Washington Post advised that we are still on the first wave.
- Heroes act went to the senate, but they have not acted on it. There will be a focus on COVID-19 related relief.
- The House is focusing on police reform.
- There is movement to focus on the need to make telehealth permanent; this issue is currently being tracked as part of the new normal.
- Last night there was passage of SB74.
- The budget includes expansive cuts because of the COVID induced recession, another bill should be voted on by June 19. The date to keep in mind is July 31.
- Locally hair salons can now open in addition to malls, zoos, museums, aquariums, RV camps, and use of hotels for leisure travel.
- The deaths continue to be high amongst the Latinos and Black communities.
- In Orange County, there is controversy around the use of masks. There is a new health officer in Orange County.

Infection Prevention Medical Director

- Please talk to your friends and family in terms of the successes and failures you have seen as the pandemic has gone on.
- We are not in a post-COVID world at this time. The “new normal” refers to living with and understanding that COVID-19 is still out there and people are susceptible to infection.
- Please continue to maintain distancing, avoid hugging and kissing.
- It is important to follow the guidelines and continue to wear masks.
- Some of the messaging will change in order to reassure our patients, staff, and community of the safety precautions. Some of those items will include screening and spacing –
- Thank you all for your input on things that may or may not be working. Thank you all for your hard work!

Human Resources

- As we have shared in the recent past, due to COVID-19, the American Heart Association of Basic Life Support (BLS) / CPR provided a 120-day extension for those individuals whose cards expire in June. People who have cards expiring in July will be expiring then, as well as anyone whose card expired in March with the 120-day extension.

- The AHA is temporarily allowing an online format for BLS/CPR course renewals. Starting [today](#), AltaMed Talent Management will be pushing out an online BLS/CPR renewal course to those people whose certifications expire in July.
- Renewal involves 4 simple steps. First, you must complete the course that is assigned to you. Second, you must complete the test that follows the course. Third, you must sign up for a session to demonstrate your chest compressions in person (this is structured in a socially distant manner). Lastly, you retrieve the new card from the AHA website and send an electronic copy to HRSystems@altamed.org. On a month-by-month basis, we will repeat this process for anyone whose cards are expiring during the month as long as the AHA continues to allow the virtual format. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Talent Management department at AltamedU@altamed.org.
- Effective Monday, June 15, 2020, AltaMed transitioned from Kaiser On The Job to Concentra and Reliant Urgent Care for all work-related injuries and illnesses. Concentra and Reliant are both leaders in the occupational medicine industry, and offer convenient locations throughout Los Angeles and Orange County.
- As a result of this change, please discard all Kaiser On The Job incident packets, referral slips and any other materials located at your facility. New Concentra and Reliant workers compensation packets have been created and currently available on [TownSquare](#) under Human Resources > Integrated Disability Absence Management > Workers' Compensation for immediate use.
- Our new workers' compensation packets now include an employee incident report, supervisor incident report, witness statement form, acknowledgment form, and a medical authorization release form. If you or your employees are actively being treated at a Kaiser on the Job location there will be no disruption in medical care. Care will continue until the employee is released. If you have any questions, please email workerscompensation@altamed.org or call the Leave's Department at [\(323\) 622-2439](tel:(323)622-2439).