

**TO: County Board
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RE: COVID-19 Update – April 10

The Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) continues to prioritize the dissemination of useful information to county leaders during the COVID-19 pandemic. Below are some items we would like to share with you today:

Illinois COVID-19 Cases

On April 10, 2020, the Illinois Department of Public Health announced 1,465 new cases of COVID-19. This brings the total number of counties with cases to 83. As of April 10, Illinois has 17,887 cases and 596 deaths. ISACo has a list of counties with cases on our Coronavirus Resource Page ([available via this link](#)).

Governor Signs Executive Order (EO) 2020-23

EO 2020-23 ([available via this link](#)) is intended to increase the number of licensed professionals able to respond to the disaster.

Federal Reserve Announces Liquidity Options for State and Local Governments

On April 9, 2020, the Federal Reserve took additional actions to provide up to \$2.3 trillion in loans to support the economy. This funding will assist households and employers of all sizes and bolster the ability of state and local governments to deliver critical services during the coronavirus pandemic. Additional information is [available via this link](#).

Economic Impact Report

The University of Illinois System Institute of Government and Public Affairs released a report discussing the potential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on state and local budgets. The report utilizes a range of possible fiscal impacts due to the difficulty of modeling based on uncertainties about the severity of the pandemic and resultant economic disruption. Estimates about the impact on local governments begins on page 10 of the report. The report is [available via this link](#).

FOID/Concealed Carry

The Illinois State Police issued emergency rules this week to address renewals of Firearm Owner Identification and Concealed Carry Licenses during the COVID-19 epidemic. The changes include:

- FOID card holders, who submit their renewal application will remain valid during the duration of the state's disaster proclamation and for a period of 12 months following the termination of the disaster, even if their renewal application is/was not submitted prior to expiration.
- CCL licensees, who submit their renewal application, will remain valid during the duration of the state's disaster proclamation and for a period of 12 months following its termination, even if their CCL renewal application was not submitted prior to expiration.
- CCL licensees will not be required to immediately submit proof of three-hour training with their CCL renewal application.
- CCL licensees will need to submit proof of their three-hour renewal training within 12 months following the termination of the state's disaster proclamation in order to maintain the validity of their CCL license.

Guidance for Workers Potentially Exposed to COVID-19

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) have provided guidance for critical infrastructure workers who have been exposed to COVID-19. These two important informational products include Interim Guidance for Implementing Safety Practices for Critical Infrastructure Workers Who May Have Had Exposure to a Person with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 and a quick reference of the Do's and Don'ts for employers and employees related to COVID-19 exposures.

While the guidance ([available via this link](#)) specifically calls attention to critical infrastructure workers serving in the specific capacities and functions, as below, the guidance can apply to all critical infrastructure workers with the exception of Healthcare Providers who are covered under separate guidance ([available via this link](#)).

- Federal, state, and local law enforcement
- 911 call center employees
- Fusion Center employees
- Hazardous material responders from the government and the private sector
- Janitorial staff and other custodial staff
- Workers – including contracted vendors – in food and agriculture, critical manufacturing, informational technology, transportation, energy and government facilities
- Employers should implement the recommendations in the Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers, to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019, to help prevent and slow the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace.
- Please continue to monitor the CDC website for the most current medical guidance ([available via this link](#)).

Keep Up with New Information!

ISACo has a designated blog post ([available via this link](#)) that includes updated news about the public response to the Coronavirus and other relevant information.

ISACo also has a dedicated webpage ([available via this link](#)) with federal, state and local resources about the Coronavirus and best practices to avoid transmission while promoting containment.

Please feel welcome to contact ISACo with any questions for which we may be helpful. My e-mail address is jmccoy@isacoil.org. I can also be reached on my cell phone at 217/836-9164. ISACo's website is www.isacoil.org. Thanks.