# **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HOME CARE & HOSPICE**

## Home Health FAQ: Telehealth, NPP, CoP Waivers

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On March 30, 2020, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued an interim final rule with comment (IFC) that provides relief from regulations governing health care provider operations in response to the COVID -19 pandemic.

The National Association for Home Care & Hospice (NAHC) conducted a national webinar presenting the regulatory waivers that had been issued up to that point (see NAHC Report) to over 3,000 participants. Many of the waivers for home health agencies (HHAs) were issued sub-regulatory prior to the issuance of the IFC rule.

During the webinar, NAHC representatives were able to address several questions submitted by the participants. However, those questions represented only a fraction of the total questions that were received during the webinar.

NAHC has completed three sets of frequently asked questions and answers (FAQs) on the topics of:

- 1. telehealth,
- 2. non-physician practitioners (NPPs) certifying and ordering home health services, and
- 3. waivers on the Conditions of Participation.

We encourage you to view those FAQs now.

#### MODIFIED CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

(https://www.nahc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/COP-Webcast-FAQs.pdf)

#### NPPs & HOME HEALTH SERVICES UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

(https://www.nahc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/NP-and-Webcast.pdf)

#### TELEHEALTH UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

(https://www.nahc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/FAQs-Webcast-Telehealth.pdf)

