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Adult Mental Health Day Treatment Providers, Advanced Practice Nurse Prescribers With Psychiatric Specialty, Ambulance Providers, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, Anesthesiologist Assistants, Audiologists, Behavioral Treatment Providers, Case Management Providers, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, Child/Adolescent Day Treatment Providers, Child Care Coordination Providers, Chiropractors, Community Health Centers, Community Recovery Services Providers, Community Support Programs, Comprehensive Community Services Providers, Crisis Intervention Providers, Dental Hygienists, Dentists, End-Stage Renal Disease Service Providers, Family Planning Clinics, HealthCheck Providers, HealthCheck “Other Services” Providers, Home Health Agencies, Hospice Providers, Hospital Providers, Intensive In-Home Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Services for Children Providers, Licensed Midwives, Master’s-Level Psychotherapists, Narcotic Treatment Services Providers, Nurse Midwives, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses in Independent Practice, Nursing Homes, Occupational Therapists, Opticians, Optometrists, Oral Surgeons, Outpatient Mental Health Clinics, Outpatient Substance Abuse Clinics, Personal Care Agencies, Pharmacies, Physical Therapists, Physician Assistants, Physician Clinics, Physicians, Podiatrists, Portable X-ray Providers, Prenatal Care Coordination Providers, Psychologists, Qualified Treatment Trainees, Rehabilitation Agencies, Rural Health Clinics, School-Based Services Providers, Specialized Medical Vehicle Providers, Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Agencies, Speech and Hearing Clinics, Speech-Language Pathologists, Substance Abuse Counselors, Substance Abuse Day Treatment Providers, Therapy Groups, Tribal Federally Qualified Health Centers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

REGARDING

CPR Training During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, ForwardHealth is temporarily altering certain policy requirements in order to prevent further spread of the disease and effectively treat existing cases. **The requirement change for renewing training for CPR in this Alert is issued pursuant to Wis. Stat. ch. 49 and is in effect until further notice. ForwardHealth will publish additional guidance about the topics addressed in this Alert when the temporary policies related to COVID-19 expire.**

CPR Training During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services acknowledges that with the public health emergency, training for CPR may not be available. As a result, ForwardHealth will temporarily waive the requirement for renewing this training until classes are once again offered. This waiver does not apply to individuals who are pursuing CPR certification and have not yet completed the coursework.