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Effective October 23, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has extended the federal public health emergency until January 23, 2021, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The federal public health emergency declaration, which has been in place since January 27, 2020, was previously renewed on April 21, 2020, and July 23, 2020, and must be renewed every 90 days.

With the extension, ForwardHealth’s temporary policy flexibilities related to COVID-19 will continue to remain in effect unless otherwise announced or published. ForwardHealth will publish additional guidance when the temporary policies related to COVID-19 expire.