



Improving lives THROUGH
supports and services
THAT FOSTER self-determination.

1/13/22

COVID-19 Flexibilities: Updated Guidance

This notice is being sent to provide updated guidance regarding the expiration of the Targeted State of Emergency for the Health Care System. While the State of Emergency in Missouri concluded December 31, 2021, the Federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) remains active for those flexibilities granted under the state of emergency.

Effective October 18, 2021, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services issued a declaration that a Federal Public Health Emergency still exists related to COVID-19. The declaration is set to expire January 16, 2022. The 1135 flexibilities expire upon the termination of the Federal Public Emergency. The [CMS Appendix K Addendum](#) flexibilities expire no later than six (6) months after the expiration of the Federal Public Health Emergency.

Updated Guidance

The [COVID-19 Flexibility Authority Chart](#) has been updated to depict the authority of each of the COVID flexibilities in place. If multiple authorities exist, the flexibility expires at the **later** of the two dates.

www.dmh.mo.gov/dd
573-751-4054

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH