

WEEKLY UPDATE

The latest in COVID-19 News from the WVSCPA



TIPS & RESOURCES

JUSTICE: 'SAFER AT HOME' ORDER WILL STRONGLY ENCOURAGE, NOT COMMAND, RESIDENTS TO STAY HOME

Gov. Jim Justice says West Virginia is moving from a "stay-at-home" order to a "safer-at-home" order. [Read More HERE.](#)

UPDATED: AICPA ADDRESSES CPA FIRM-LENDER ISSUES RELATED TO PPP

The AICPA offered recommendations Thursday for the CPA firm-lender relationship related to firms assisting clients that are seeking Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) funding. [Read More HERE.](#)

MAKING YOUR OFFICE SAFE TO RETURN TO AFTER CORONAVIRUS

Businesses are beginning to consider returning to work. But many small business owners are concerned about employee safety if they do so. There are common sense practices we're applying to our personal lives that can easily translate to an office environment. [Read More HERE.](#)

PPP APPLICATION PROCESS: FIRM-LENDER RELATIONSHIP

The AICPA, after discussions with the AICPA-led Coalition and key banking leaders and stakeholders, is working to drive a common understanding and approach around the firm lender relationship related to the implementation of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). [Read More HERE.](#)

WV CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: RESPONSIBLE REOPENING GUIDELINES FOR BUSINESSES

With the news that West Virginia is beginning phases of reopening the economy in the state, the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce has compiled a list of recommendations for employers to consider when reopening or resuming normal activity. The Chamber's recommendations can be viewed by [CLICKING HERE.](#)

TREASURY, IRS DELIVER 89.5 MILLION ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENTS IN FIRST THREE WEEKS

The Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service today released state-by-state figures for Economic Impact Payments, with 89.5 million individuals receiving payments worth nearly \$160 billion in the program's first three weeks. [Read More HERE.](#)

CARES ACT QIP CHANGE REQUIRES ACTION

Before the enactment of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, P.L. 116-136, prior law required qualified improvement property (QIP) placed in service subsequent to Dec. 31, 2017, to use a 39-year tax life, and the property was not eligible for bonus depreciation. The CARES Act retroactively changed this recovery period to 15 years, which made QIP bonus depreciation eligible through 2026. [Read More HERE.](#)

WEST VIRGINIA STRONG
The Comeback

Safer at Home

GOVERNOR JUSTICE'S UPDATED STATEWIDE COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER FOR WEST VIRGINIA

This Safer at Home Order will be modified each week during The Comeback Reopening Plan

STAY AT HOME Current order expires on Sunday, May 3rd at 11:59 p.m.

ORIGINAL

INDIVIDUALS

Directed to stay at home unless performing an essential activity.

ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

Exempt and can operate.

SMALL BUSINESSES

Exempt and can operate if 5 employees or less and do not invite the public into the business.

RESTAURANTS

Open for takeaway and delivery of food and/or beverage only.

HEALTHCARE

Exempt but with restrictions.

PET GROOMERS

Closed for all purposes.

BARBERSHOPS, HAIR & NAIL SALONS

Closed for all purposes.

CHURCHES

Essential and can remain open. Churches are encouraged to practice proper social distancing.

PUBLIC GATHERINGS

Groups over 10 are prohibited.

ELDERLY AND VULNERABLE POPULATION

Directed to remain at home to the greatest extent possible.

SAFER AT HOME Goes into effect on Monday, May 4th at 12 a.m.

UPDATES

INDIVIDUALS

Strongly encouraged to stay at home unless performing an essential activity.

ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

Exempt and can continue to operate.

SMALL BUSINESSES

• Can operate if business has 10 employees or fewer AND with limited customer interaction and customer contact.

• Businesses must ensure that proper social distancing and hygiene practices are maintained.

RESTAURANTS

Open for outdoor service for outdoor dining service, and for takeaway and delivery of food and/or beverage.

HEALTHCARE

In Week 1, elective medical procedures allowed to resume, outpatient healthcare open.

PET GROOMERS

Allowed to open, and should use proper social distancing and hygiene practices.

BARBERSHOPS, HAIR & NAIL SALONS

Allowed to open and operate in accordance with guidance from the Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists including:

- Requiring appointments with adequate time in between to properly clean and disinfect.
- Customers to wait in their vehicles or otherwise not enter until the business is ready to provide services to the customer.

CHURCHES

Remain essential and can remain open. Churches are encouraged to practice proper social distancing, and additional guidance is now available at [governor.wv.gov](#).

PUBLIC GATHERINGS

Groups over 25 are prohibited.

ELDERLY AND VULNERABLE POPULATION

Strongly encouraged to remain at home to the greatest extent possible.

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Visit [governor.wv.gov](#) for more information and to read the Order

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