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## BULLETIN 20-EX-7

TO: GEORGIA CONSUMERS AND INSURERS

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DATE: APRIL 28, 2020

RE: WINDING DOWN COVID-19 BULLETINS AND DIRECTIVES

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Governor Kemp has declared a public health emergency to help Georgia quickly and effectively contain the spread of COVID-19. The data provided by the Georgia Department of Public Health indicates that the spread of COVID-19 in Georgia is beginning to be contained. Moreover, based on that data, Governor Kemp has permitted some individual businesses to re-open and is permitting hospitals to perform elective surgeries once again.

In light of the improving conditions in Georgia, Commissioner King is issuing the following Bulletin to notify the industry and the public about winding down some of the Directives he issued due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The purpose of this Directive is to advise insurers, and the public of modifications or changes to the Bulletins and Directives issued previously, any matters not directly addressed in the following Bulletin should be considered unchanged. The modifications contained in this Bulletin are subject to further evaluation as the COVID-19 situation develops.

### **Directive 20-EX-5**

1. The Directive to all Property and Casualty Insurers to refrain from canceling, for the cause of non-payment, any commercial policies that include business interruption to business income coverage will expire on May 19, 2020.
2. The Directive to all Health Insurers to refrain from canceling health policies for the cause of non-payment will expire on May 31, 2020. However, the Commissioner encourages Health Insurers to be accommodating towards consumers who find themselves in financial difficulty.
3. The suspension of all non-federal filing deadlines and waiver of late filing fees will expire on May 31, 2020.

**Directive 20-EX-6**

1. The temporary suspension of enforcement of Rules 120-1-6-.01 and 120-1-6-.02 of the regulations of the Industrial Loan Commissioner will end on May 31, 2020.

**Directive 20-EX-7**

1. Insurers and hospitals should note that the Commissioner's request that certain utilization review and notification requirements be suspended will expire on May 25, 2020.
2. The entire Directive is set to expire on May 25, 2020, subject to further evaluation as the COVID-19 situation develops.
3. Insurers and hospitals who are subject to this Directive should also take note that as elective procedures are once again being undertaken in Georgia, the Directive does not apply to elective procedures.

**Bulletin 20-EX-6**

1. The extension of Continuing Education deadlines will remain in effect until May 31, 2020.



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