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The coronavirus has taken a devastating toll on Americans across the country, in lives lost and economic impacts. The health care system has been impacted along with many other aspects of American life. Providers have been greatly affected as they strive to do the right thing by delaying elective surgeries; they have faced disruption in critical revenue streams, and simultaneously experienced increased costs for Personal Protective Equipment. That's why President Trump signed legislation providing \$175 billion for the health care system, in addition to \$100 billion in advance and accelerated payments to Medicare providers.

That's why, in response to COVID-19, CMS is providing new flexibilities and adjustments to current and future CMMI models to address the emergency. We're releasing [a chart](#) today that outlines the models and the new changes.

To read the full Health Affairs blog, go

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