

June 2020 Newsletter from R F. Meyer & Associates Attorneys at Law



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Coronavirus, unfortunately, continues to be key focus

Welcome to the June 2020 Newsletter from R. F. Meyer & Associates. We hope it finds you safe and in good health. Unfortunately, the Coronavirus/ COVID-19 pandemic continues to resonate, across the world and across the U.S. legal landscape

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States Can't Terminate Medicaid **Benefits During the Pandemic**

Access to affordable medical care is especially important during a health crisis. New federal law prevents states that have accepted increased Medicaid funding from terminating Medicaid benefits during the coronavirus health emergency.



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Seniors Have More Time to Apply for Medicare or **Change Plans**

The closure of Social Security offices has affected unemployed seniors who need to apply for Medicare after losing their employer health coverage. These seniors now have more time to enroll in Medicare or change plans.

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States Move to Immunize Nursing Homes from **Liability During Pandemic**

The coronavirus pandemic has ravaged long-term care facilities. In response, many states have moved to shield nursing homes, and in some cases assisted living facilities, from lawsuits related to the care they are providing.

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Some Facilities Are Snatching Pandemic Relief Checks, FTC Warns

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is warning residents of long-term care facilities and their families that some facilities may unlawfully require residents on Medicaid to sign over their \$1.200 relief checks.

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