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The Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry recognizes the unprecedented circumstances optometric professionals have faced and continue to face during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Alaskan health care authorities monitor the statewide situation closely and working in conjunction with public health experts have made recommendations for providers to apply during the rendering of care to mitigate the risks of COVID-19 transmission.

The Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry strongly recommends that licensees continue to, at minimum, adhere to CDC recommendations while rendering care, including pre-screening for symptoms, universal masking, encouraging physical distancing and enhanced office sanitation.

Please continue to frequently monitor communications from the Office of the Governor, the Department of Health and Social Services, the Alaska Legislature and the Board's website for any updated information and future mandates.

Sincerely,

The Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry