

Disease Control and Prevention

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To Whom It May Concern:

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department is directing all skilled nursing and other residential care sites to allow access for home health agencies to provide essential care for residents, including but not limited to hospice care and other clinical care.

Home health care providers should be screened negative for COVID-19 symptoms and temperature prior to entering the facility, and in addition wear all appropriate PPE, including a procedure mask.

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