



TO: Catholic Health Medical Staff

FROM: Leonardo Sette-Camara, Esq, General Counsel
Matthew Batt, Esq., Director Risk Management & Senior Associate Legal Counsel

DATE: March 25, 2020

RE: NYS Liability Immunity
Continuing Temporary Suspension and Modification of Laws Relating to the Disaster
Emergency

Part of the governor's order on 3/23/2020

Re: Continuing Temporary Suspension and Modification of Laws Relating to the Disaster
Emergency:

•Subdivision (2) of section 6527, Section 6545, and Subdivision (1) of Section 6909 of the Education Law, to the extent necessary to provide that all physicians, physician assistants, specialist assistants, nurse practitioners, licensed registered professional nurses and licensed practical nurses shall be immune from civil liability for any injury or death alleged to have been sustained directly as a result of an act or omission by such medical professional in the course of providing medical services in support of the State's response to the COVID-19 outbreak, unless it is established that such injury or death was caused by the gross negligence of such medical professional;

These sections of the law apply to providers who are volunteering services, *of which he or she is not being compensated for.*