



CAMTC COVID-19 Bulletin #20

Dear CAMTC Certificate Holders:

CAMTC has just received notice that the California Department of Public Health will be releasing guidelines for reopening massage therapy on June 12, 2020, with a recommended implementation date of no earlier than June 19, 2020. As soon as the guidelines become available, they will be immediately posted on CAMTC's website.

Please note that local county health and safety guidelines must also be followed, which means if your local county does not allow massage to occur, massage may still not be authorized to take place in your local jurisdiction. This is because while the State is generally allowing massage to occur, it has also acknowledged that cities and counties have the authority to impose stricter restrictions than the State. Your county may also impose additional restrictions above and beyond what is required by the State.

The health and safety of Certified Massage Therapists and their clients continues to be of the utmost importance to all of us. So while you **MUST** follow

the health and safety guidelines provided by the State and your local jurisdiction, we also urge you to consider following even stricter protocols during this unprecedented time. For some suggestions of recommendations for additional massage specific requirements, please see these guidelines provided by the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards: [Guidelines for Practice with COVID-19 Considerations](#). Please note that these guidelines were created by FSMTB, not CAMTC, and you are not required to comply with them; they are merely provided here as an additional resource.

Please remember that there are many serious questions and unknowns related to COVID-19. The safety of your clients, your employees and yourself must remain paramount.

Be well, stay safe and remain informed.

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