

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-258

(Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) Reporting)

WHEREAS, Executive Order Number 17-235 was entered on September 4, 2017 regarding Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 252.36 (1)(a), Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may waive all statutes and rules affecting budgeting to the extent necessary to provide budget authority for state agencies to cope with the emergency. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such waiver issued by the Executive Office of the Governor; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 409.908, Florida Statutes, the Agency for Health Care Administration may receive funds from state entities, including local governments for the purpose of making special exception Medicaid payments; and

WHEREAS, local governments wishing to submit funds for such purpose “must submit a final, executed letter of agreement to the agency, which must be received by October 1 of each fiscal year and provide the total amount of local governmental funds authorized by the entity for that fiscal year under this paragraph, paragraph (b), or the General Appropriations Act”; and

WHEREAS, certain boards or commissions are unable to meet prior to October 1, 2017 due to Hurricane Irma, and thus, unable to approve and submit the letters of agreement by October 1; and

WHEREAS, “local governmental funds outlined in the letters of agreement must be received by the agency no later than October 31 of each fiscal year in which such funds are pledged, unless an alternative plan is specifically approved by the agency.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 1(A) of the Florida Constitution and by the Florida Emergency Management Act, as amended, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. I find that the special duties and responsibilities resting upon some State, regional, and local agencies and other governmental bodies in responding to the emergency may require them to waive or deviate from the statutes, rules, and ordinances, and orders they administer. Therefore, I issue the following authorizations:

- A. The Agency for Health Care Administration is authorized to receive letters of agreements from local governments as authorized under section 409.908, Florida Statutes until November 15, 2017 for fiscal year 2017-2018.

B. Local governmental funds outlined in the letters of agreement must be received by the agency no later than December 15, 2017 for fiscal year 2017-2018, unless an alternative plan is specifically approved by the agency.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 29th day of September, 2017.



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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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