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## VABA Presents: COVID-19 Digest 13

We hope this will give you helpful information. Thank you for opting in. If you do not wish to receive this information, please email [admin@virginiaaba.org](mailto:admin@virginiaaba.org). **Please do NOT unsubscribe, as that means you will not receive any emails from VABA in the future.**

*No longer weekly!*

### ARE YOU A MEMBER?

We hope you will become a member if you are not already. Go to [www.virginiaaba.org/membership](http://www.virginiaaba.org/membership).

You can find the latest updates on COVID-19 infections, recoveries, and deaths here (choose VA in dropdown):

<http://covid19.healthdata.org/>

Also by county:

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/>

See what the governor is saying on his official Web site:

<https://www.governor.virginia.gov/>

As always, the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/) and [WHO](https://www.who.int/) have up-to-date and reliable health information.

VABA Has a [Q&A on our Web site](#) to Answer all Your Burning Coronavirus Questions



# WE WANT YOUR HELP!



Are you providing ABA services via Telehealth? Is it working?

Do you want to continue to the practice after the pandemic is over? Many do and for that reason, WE NEED DATA! We will be contacting agencies soon about sharing data on successes (and challenges) of telehealth. If you want to be involved, email [admin@virginiaaba.org](mailto:admin@virginiaaba.org)

### Have you seen the new app?

Virginia has rolled-out a phone app to track COVID-19 transmissions. Check it out here:

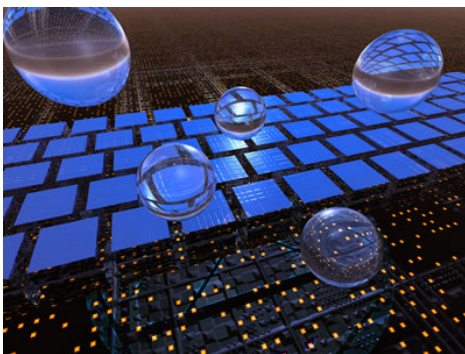
<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/covidwise/>

**ADD YOUR  
PHONE  
TO THE  
COVID FIGHT**  
HELP VIRGINIA STOP COVID-19

### LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NEW?

There is a new [grant opportunity](#) for those interested in working with substance abuse disorders. This is definitely in the ABA wheelhouse and the grant could be used for staff training.

Good luck!



### This Week's Highlight:

### More Medicaid and Telehealth Info

#### TELEHEALTH

DMAS has extended the telehealth flexibilities until at least January 26, 2021. See [this memo](#) for details. VABA is working with the state to try to extend telehealth indefinitely. We could use your help! Email [admin@virginiaaba.org](mailto:admin@virginiaaba.org) to share your experiences.

#### LICENSING

The governor is allowing temporary licenses for those who are out of state, but that allowance is set to expire on September 8. See the [BOM Web site](#) for more information.

#### CLAIMS AND APPEALS

DMAS has an upcoming Webinar regarding claims appeals:



Good afternoon Behavioral Health Providers and Stakeholders,

We are happy to provide you with a webinar opportunity for a "Provider Appeals Overview" facilitated by Joshua N. Lief, Esq., Provider and Medical Cases Manager at the Department of Medical Assistance Services. Mr. Lief's webinar will cover the provider appeals process as well as frequently asked questions and provider appeals resources. Please join us on Wednesday September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11 a.m. to hear his presentation. We will record this session and post on the DMAS website. More information about the provider appeals process is located online: [https://go.magellanhealth.com/e/703943/--appealsresources/1944m/138649438?h=cgAE6Ee9oIEYK6XV8rcaW2dDurK4MuNwVF\\_FFpzVsgs](https://go.magellanhealth.com/e/703943/--appealsresources/1944m/138649438?h=cgAE6Ee9oIEYK6XV8rcaW2dDurK4MuNwVF_FFpzVsgs)

Wednesday, Sep 2, 2020 11 a.m. | 1 hour | (UTC-04:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Meeting number: 171 464 0539

Password: f5aMgpRHx33

[https://go.magellanhealth.com/e/703943/51d8caf3074f490a547c1afc967736/1944r/138649438?h=cgAE6Ee9oIEYK6XV8rcaW2dDurK4MuNwVF\\_FFpzVsgs](https://go.magellanhealth.com/e/703943/51d8caf3074f490a547c1afc967736/1944r/138649438?h=cgAE6Ee9oIEYK6XV8rcaW2dDurK4MuNwVF_FFpzVsgs)

Join by video system

Dial [1714640539@covaconf.webex.com](tel:1714640539)

You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number.

Join by phone

+1-517-466-2023 US Toll

+1-866-692-4530 US Toll Free

Access code: 171 464 0539

## Medicaid Providers! Are you on the call?

Make sure to attend the weekly provider calls.

If you have any issues with any part of your services to Medicaid, please email VABA at [admin@virginiaaba.org](mailto:admin@virginiaaba.org). We will compile them and get you answers quickly. DMAS prefers that questions be funneled through the provider associations (such as VABA).

DMAS is continually updating this Web page:

<https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/emergencywaiver> with information.

The next call is August 26

