



Many caregivers have asked how practicing under the current extraordinary conditions could affect their liability or licenses. Banner is working diligently to minimize those risks. State and national governments are also aware and have acted on these concerns. Changes and waivers to existing regulations have been made, including Arizona's activation of the Crisis Standards of Care. Governor Ducey extended his "Good Samaritan" Executive Order, intended to provide liability protection, through the end of 2020. These actions are intended to provide additional defenses and protections for both the providers and Banner and include a redefinition of the standard of care during this unprecedented emergency.

Please be assured providers and other clinical personnel (including nurses and therapists) with malpractice coverage from Banner Indemnity, Ltd. (BIL) (i.e., employed by Banner Health, Banner Medical Group, Banner—University Medical Group, or Banner Ambulatory Provider Group, on a full-time, part-time or per diem basis)) will continue to be covered by professional liability insurance, including for actions or omissions while practicing under the current extreme conditions. Those with separate professional liability coverage may wish to confirm details of coverage with their carriers.

Although we realize nothing can prevent the filing of a claim or complaint, Banner is doing everything possible to minimize risk.

Together we are Banner Strong.