Biden Administration Announces Wind Down of Covid-19 National and Public Health Emergency Declarations



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On January 30, 2023, the Biden Administration announced its intent to extend the automatic expiration of both the national emergency and public health emergency declarations related to the Covid-19 pandemic that have been in effect since 2020. The national emergency is set to expire on March 1, 2023, and the public health emergency is set to expire on April 11, 2023. The Biden Administration is planning to wind down both declarations by extending the expiration dates to May 11, 2023. The wind down does not impose or change any existing rules or regulations regarding Covid-19 testing, masking, or vaccine mandates. In connection with this announcement, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) provided an updated factsheet for Medicare and Medicaid providers regarding how the end of the declarations will impact existing Covid-19 waivers and flexibilities that have been in existence since 2020.

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