

## General Announcement

March 13, 2020

The health and safety of those we serve in the Episcopal Church is of paramount importance to us. We continue to work closely with our healthcare vendors in monitoring developments related to the coronavirus disease 2019 ([COVID-19](#)). We encourage you to review the guidance provided by the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) and the [World Health Organization](#).

As a reminder, [Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield](#), [CIGNA](#), and [Kaiser Permanente](#) offer members of The Episcopal Church Medical Trust (Medical Trust) telehealth services whereby patients and medical professionals can connect virtually if scheduling an office appointment is inconvenient (see details below). If you believe that you may have been exposed to COVID-19 and wish to seek medical attention in-person, the CDC recommends that you contact your healthcare professional before you go, and tell them about your travel and symptoms. They will give you instructions on how to get care without exposing other people to your illness. We encourage our members to consult with their healthcare professionals should they have questions or concerns.

In addition, we continue to take healthcare precautions in our offices and at the conferences and meetings that we host. We are aware of the [travel restrictions](#) and [quarantine guidelines](#) described by the CDC. We are also utilizing disinfectant products in our offices and at our conferences and meetings, and we have a robust business continuity plan that allows us to continue critical operations remotely in the event that our employees are unable to access our offices.

We appreciate your patience and understanding and will continue to monitor the evolving situation and provide additional updates as necessary.