

What You Need To Know | President Trump is Supporting our Nation's Veterans During the Coronavirus Outbreak

President Trump signed legislation today that will maintain educational benefits for veterans and their families impacted by the coronavirus outbreak.

- President Trump has signed legislation to provide continuity in educational benefits for veterans and their families who attend schools that have had to switch from in-person to online learning due to the coronavirus.
- Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will continue providing the same benefits for veterans who have had to switch to online learning.

This is another example of how the Trump Administration is working to protect and support our nation's veterans as we face this challenge.

- The Administration took swift action to set up VA emergency operation centers across the country.
 - [SECRETARY WILKIE](#): "Last month, we established 19 emergency operations centers across the country."
- The Administration has limited access to VA facilities in order to prevent exposure for patients and healthcare workers.
 - [SECRETARY WILKIE](#): "We began to limit the number of visitors who entered our facilities. We began, I think, the first – we were the first system to begin triaging, across the country in our 170 hospitals, the entrance of anyone into our facility without being questioned or tested. We expanded those restrictions to those in our 135 community living centers."
- The VA has reduced elective surgeries to protect alleviate the burden on facilities and ensure they can dedicate resources to any potential coronavirus cases.
 - [SECRETARY WILKIE](#): "We also took the next step and made sure that we limited the dental surgeries that we were provided. We've cut back by one third the number of routine appointments we have had, and we have canceled elective surgeries."

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