

## Special Bulletin

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## AHA Releases PSA Urging the Public: 'Don't Put Off the Care You Need'

The AHA today released a <u>public service announcement</u> (PSA) urging the American public not to delay getting the preventive, scheduled and emergency services they need, and noting that hospitals and health systems are always there, ready to care. **The PSA**, **available in English and Spanish, can be adapted by AHA members with their organization's logo for their use**.

This PSA is part of the AHA's continuing efforts to reassure the public that hospitals and health systems have enhanced safety measures in place, and builds upon <u>AHA's</u> <u>COVID-19 Pathways to Recovery</u> resource for health care leaders released in May. Adding to the chorus of this important message is the Coalition to Protect America's Health Care, which today released a <u>short video</u>: "Don't delay. Seek care right away."

In addition to the PSA, <u>related social media, talking points and other materials</u> for this effort are available for your use. Hospitals and health systems are encouraged to customize and use these resources in their communities.

## **FURTHER QUESTIONS**

If you have questions, please contact AHA at 800-424-4301.