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*Please reach out to your VillageMD market leader with questions and concerns.*

Below is this week's government and legislative affairs update. All previous legislative guidance and other affiliate resources are stored via the [VillageMD Affiliated Practices COVID-19 Resource Center](#).

- The House [voted](#) to extend Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Flexibility. Borrowers can use the funds for 24 weeks instead of eight weeks and would only require them to spend 60% of the loan expenses on payroll costs instead of 75%. The bill is headed to the Senate where it is expected to pass.
- President Trump [announced](#) an Executive Order on Preventing Online Censorship.
- The White House is [pushing](#) Congress to ban surprise medical bills outright, without stipulating who pays for these services in the next coronavirus stimulus package.
- The Senate Finance committee will hold their first hearing since the National Emergency was declared: [Oversight of the FDA's foreign drug manufacturing services](#).
- For-profit hospitals [asked](#) Congress for reduced interest rates on advanced payments via the Federation of American Hospitals (FAH).