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Residential/shelter facilities and services

While new categories were added to the original March 19, 2020 CISA advisory, the CISA guidance and Governor Whitmer's Executive Order 2020–19 give somewhat conflicting instruction related to residential construction, operations and service.

The March 28, 2020 CISA advisory seems to indicate broader allowed activities than the Executive Order does but for the purposes of Michigan law Executive Order 2020–19 will control. Summarized the latest CISA Advisory authorizes new activities not previously listed: (1) dependent care services for individuals and groups, (2) residential support of handicapped, disabled or needy individuals, and services for and support of the elderly and disabled, (3) work in in animal shelters, (4) work related to leasing of residential property and associated property management services, (5) work involving housing construction activities to insure "additional units can be made available to combat the nation's housing shortage," and (6) associated services such as building inspections, permitting activities and the like.

Generally speaking with respect to residential construction and leasing activities, items (4), (5) and (6), none of these activities are allowed under announced interpretations and clarifications of Executive Order 2020-19.

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