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To: NC Asbestos and Lead Professionals

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Subject: NC Executive Order No. 139

The North Carolina Health Hazards Control Unit (HHCU) is aware that the COVID-19 outbreak has severely impacted the asbestos and lead-based paint professionals in our state. Individuals directly impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak who are unable to attend refresher training, as a result of restrictions on public gatherings and training course cancellations, are provided regulatory flexibility as set forth in NC Executive Order No.139.

Individuals may continue to perform asbestos and lead-based paint management activities in North Carolina beyond their accreditation and certification expiration dates for up to 60 days following the end of this State of Emergency. This extension will in no way minimize the regulatory requirements as set forth in the NC Asbestos Hazard Management Program or Lead-Based Paint Hazard Management Programs.

As a reminder, all NC certified lead professionals must work for a NC Certified Lead Firm. There is **not** an extension for maintaining NC Certified Lead Firm status. A copy of the Executive Order No. 139 can be found on the HHCU asbestos and lead-based paint web site or at: <https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/EO139-DHHS2.pdf>

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