


TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MEMORANDUM

TO: All Sheriffs and Jail Administrators
FROM: Brandon S. Wood, Executive Director 
DATE: March 13, 2020
RE: Suspension of Visitation Plan

In accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, the Office of the Governor grants TCJS's request to suspend 37 Tex. Admin. Code §291.4 **Visitation Plan**.

This suspension is in effect until terminated by the Office of the Governor or until the March 13, 2020 disaster declaration is lifted or expires. Jails will not be issued a notice of non-compliance for the suspension of visitation.

All efforts should be made to allow attorney visitation so as not to impact the court system. Attorneys should be screened prior to entry into the facility.

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