



Make today a breakthrough.

July 17, 2020

Dear Healthcare Administrator,

Cure SMA is the leading national organization representing and supporting individuals and families impacted by spinal muscular atrophy (SMA), many of whom experience unique and complex health needs daily.

During this public health crisis, it remains a high priority that people with SMA have access to treatments that are approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. These treatments are life altering and lifesaving. We do not recommend viewing SMA treatments as elective or non-urgent and advise that dosing not be delayed for any significant period.

We understand that some communities are seeing very high rates of the coronavirus (COVID-19), resulting in strain on the healthcare system and interfering with planned treatments, including those for SMA. We encourage people with SMA and healthcare provider teams to work together to schedule SMA treatment administration to occur on time.

Planning to receive SMA treatment should also include strategies to avoid possible COVID-19 exposure for this high-risk community, such as avoiding waiting rooms and being placed in a procedure room shortly after arrival to the treatment facility.

If you have any questions or are in need of additional information about SMA, please contact us at info@curesma.org.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kenneth Hobby in black ink.

Kenneth Hobby
President

Handwritten signature of Mary Schroth in black ink.

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