

Country	Status of Elective Procedures
<p>Colombia</p> <p>María Helena Castillo Mcastil8@its.jnj.com</p> <p>Nicolas Medellin nmedelli@ITS.JNJ.com</p>	<p>Official guidance to delay elective procedures? <i>Yes, started with the sanitary emergency declaration by the government to mitigate the contagious of Covid-19 in the country.</i></p> <p>Official guidance on reopen elective procedures? <i>On July 2020, the Ministry of Health published the “Guidelines for the restoration of health services in the mitigation and control phases of the health emergency by Covid-19 in Colombia (version 3), with the purpose of guiding health service providers and EAPB (payers) to reopen their services, guaranteeing the implementation of biosafety protocols in their institutions.</i></p> <p>Stage of elective procedures recovery? <i>On February 2021, Elective surgery services are being re-opened in some regions in the country, due to the reduction of Covid-19 cases.</i></p> <p><i>The Mayor's Office of Bogotá published the Decree 055, where they report that Non-urgent medium or high complexity surgical procedures that may require an intensive care unit would be resumed; as well as intermediate complexity procedures that require hospitalization.</i></p>
<p>México</p> <p>Octavio Avendaño oavendan@its.jnj.com</p> <p>Adriana Obregón AObregon@ITS.JNJ.com</p>	<p>Official guidance to delay elective procedures? <i>No. Due to a new outbreak of Covid cases in Mexico during January and February most elective surgeries in the public sector have been again delayed since bed hospitals are assigned for Covid attention.</i></p> <p><i>On the other hand, private hospitals have identified a business model in which both elective surgeries are being developed and Covid attention is taking place.</i></p> <p>Official guidance on reopen elective procedures? <i>On September 21st the Federal Government published in the Official Gazette (DOF) an Agreement that publishes the Guide to guarantee the continuity of services in the medical units of the Federal Public Administration (APF) in the New Normality (attached) which can be found in the website www.coronavirus.gob.mx .</i></p> <p><i>It establishes that each Medical Unit will develop a Continuity Plan, the Prioritization of Services that will be reopened as well as other requirements (PPE, support from technicians in operating rooms, etc.) that will determine the safe reopening of services.</i></p> <p><i>In the past 2 months, there have been no significant changes (upgrades, downgrades) in care protocols and access restrictions vs 4Q 2020 in both private and public hospitals. PPE, hand hygiene and social distancing are still the cornerstones of COVID prevention strategy within hospitals.</i></p> <p>Stage of elective procedures recovery? <i>During January & February, surgical volume served through our procedural selling model has stabilized its growth vs 4Q 2020, reaching levels of approx 85% vs the same months in 2020.*</i></p>

	<p><i>In the same period, our procedural selling model served both elective and non-elective surgeries in private and public hospitals. Elective surgeries accounted for 55% of total surgical volume.</i></p> <p><i>While volume in private hospitals (both KCAs and non-KCAs) has reached a plateau at around 90% vs 1Q 2020, public hospitals continue allocating resources to COVID treatment, with surgeries below 30% vs 1Q 2020, focusing mainly in non-elective surgeries.</i></p>
<p>Chile</p> <p>Luz Sosa LSosaLei@its.jnj.com</p>	<p>Official guidance to delay elective procedures?</p> <p><i>Yes. Resolution 591 of July 25th established that elective surgeries whose delay does not pose a serious risk to the health of the patient should be postponed, except for those that meet any of the following conditions: Are major outpatient surgeries, are surgeries whose expected hospitalization does not exceed one night.</i></p> <p><i>The duration of this measure is indefinite in nature until epidemiological conditions allow its suspension.</i></p> <p>https://www.diariooficial.interior.gob.cl/publicaciones/2020/07/25/42714/01/1790739.pdf</p> <p>Official guidance on reopen elective procedures?</p> <p><i>Yes. Resolution 640 of August 11, 2020 eliminates the postponement of elective surgeries established by Resolution 591.</i></p> <p>https://www.diariooficial.interior.gob.cl/publicaciones/2020/08/11/42728/01/1798149.pdf</p> <p>Stage of elective procedures recovery?</p> <p><i>Surgical volume of elective surgeries is increasing in comparison to the beginning of the year</i></p>
<p>Argentina</p> <p>Sebastian Parigi sparigi@ITS.JNJ.com</p>	<p>Official guidance to delay elective procedures?</p> <p><i>MoH published a recommendation to suspend scheduled surgeries. Also, the medical associations had their own recommendations</i></p> <p>Official guidance on reopen elective procedures?</p> <p><i>No national guideline. Different trade associations are working on protocols to present to the government to be adopted.</i></p> <p>Stage of elective procedures recovery?</p> <p><i>At the private level, some surgeries were reactivated.</i></p> <p><i>In hospital institutions, the volume remains low. Most payers are holding back anything that is not urgent.</i></p>

<p>Brazil</p> <p>Totino, Andre [JANBR] avieir19@ITS.JNJ.com</p> <p>Yuba, Tania [MEDBR] TYuba@ITS.JNJ.com</p>	<p>Official guidance to delay elective procedures?</p> <p>Goiania (GO): Ordinance No. 64/2021. It suspends all elective surgical procedures that may involve the complementary need for intensive care unit (ICU) beds.</p> <p>João Pessoa (PB): Elective surgeries have been suspended for 15 days, since Wednesday (17), in João Pessoa, as a measure to confront the new coronavirus and maintain care for Covid-19 patients in the capital.</p> <p>Minas Gerais: SES Resolution No. 7405 of February 12, 2021. The Minas Gerais State Department of Health (SES-MG) will determine, in the next few days, the suspension of non-essential elective surgeries throughout the state. The decision, however, does not apply to cardiac or cancer patients of greater severity. The measure, valid for 15 days.</p> <p>Pernambuco: Between Monday (1st) and March 12, elective surgeries are suspended in public and private units in 63 cities, in the regions of Limoeiro and Caruaru, in Agreste, and Ouricuri, in the Sertão.</p> <p>Rio Grande do Norte: SEI Ordinance No. 635, of February 22, 2021 Temporarily suspends, in the state hospital units, the scheduling and performance of elective surgical procedures in general.</p> <p>Rio Grande do Sul: Health Department guides suspension of elective surgeries until March 31</p> <p>Salvador (BA): Ordinance No. 117/2021. It recommends the suspension of elective surgical hospital procedures in health units in the Municipality of Salvador, intended to provide an effective increase in the number of beds for patients with Covid-19.</p> <p>Santa Catarina: State Department of Health suspended elective surgeries in public and private hospitals. The measure was published in the Official Gazette on Monday (22). The measure is valid for low and medium complexity surgeries. Urgent and emergency surgeries and time-sensitive procedures are not suspended - those in which the patient's life may be at risk.</p> <p>Sergipe: Ipesaúde suspends elective surgery. Due to the increase in Covid-19 cases in the state, Ipesaúde suspended elective surgeries that require beds that could be used to treat patients diagnosed with the virus.</p> <p>Official guidance on reopen elective procedures?</p> <p>Rio de Janeiro (capital): SMS Resolution 4782 of February 19, 2021 Determines the immediate return of all outpatient activities and elective surgical procedures in public health units, including those contracted and contracted with SUS in the city of Rio de Janeiro.</p>
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	<p>Stage of elective procedures recovery? Given the worsening of the pandemic scenario in the country, there is a setback in the resumption of elective surgeries, the return of the suspension of elective surgeries in several regions of the country.</p>
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