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# ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA DIRECTING ALL INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE SHELTERING AT THEIR PLACE OF RESIDENCE EXCEPT FOR IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND ACTIVITIES, IN COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIED REQUIREMENTS; CONTINUING TO EXEMPT HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS FROM THE ORDER BUT URGING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO PROVIDE THEM SHELTER; REQUIRING ALL BUSINESSES AND RECREATION FACILITIES THAT ARE ALLOWED TO OPERATE TO IMPLEMENT SOCIAL DISTANCING, FACE COVERING, AND CLEANING PROTOCOLS; AND DIRECTING ALL BUSINESSES, FACILITY OPERATORS, AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO CONTINUE THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ALL OTHER OPERATIONS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS ORDER

Order No. HO-COVID19-17

DATE OF ORDER: JUNE 5, 2020

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295.)

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040 AND 120175, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

1. This Order supersedes the June 2, 2020, Order of the Health Officer directing all individuals to shelter in place ("Prior Order"). This Order amends, clarifies, and continues certain terms of the Prior Order to ensure continued social distancing and limit person-to-person contact to reduce the rate of transmission of Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19"). This Order continues to restrict most activity, travel, and governmental and business functions to essential needs and to the Outdoor Activities and Outdoor Businesses that the prior Order allowed to resume. But in light of progress achieved in slowing the spread of COVID-19 in the County of Contra Costa (the "County"), the Order allows more Additional Businesses (as described in Section 15.n below and in Appendix C-1) to resume operating, and the resumption of more Additional Activities (as described in Section 15.0 below and in Appendix C-2), subject to specified conditions and safety precautions to reduce associated risk of COVID-19 transmission. This gradual and measured resumption of activity is designed to manage the overall volume, duration, and intensity of person-to-person contact to prevent a surge in COVID-



19 cases in the County and neighboring counties. As further provided in Section 11 below, the Health Officer will continue to monitor the risks of the activities and businesses allowed under this Order based on the COVID-19 Indicators (as defined in Section 11) and other data, and may, if conditions support doing so, incrementally add to the list of Additional Businesses and Additional Activities. The activities allowed by this Order will be assessed on an ongoing basis and these activities and others allowed by the Order may need to be modified (including, without limitation, temporarily restricted or prohibited) if the risk associated with COVID-19 increases in the future. As of the effective date and time of this Order set forth in Section 18 below, all individuals, businesses, and government agencies in the County are required to follow the provisions of this Order.

- 2. The primary intent of this Order is to ensure that County residents continue to shelter in their places of residence to slow the spread of COVID-19 and mitigate the impact on delivery of critical healthcare services. This Order allows a limited number of Additional Businesses and Additional Activities to resume while the Health Officer continues to assess the transmissibility and clinical severity of COVID-19 and monitors indicators described in Section 11. All provisions of this Order must be interpreted to effectuate this intent. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Order constitutes an imminent threat and menace to public health, constitutes a public nuisance, and is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.
- 3. All individuals currently living within the County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. They may leave their residence only for Essential Activities as defined in Section 15.a, Outdoor Activities as defined in Section 15.m, and Additional Activities as defined in Section 15.o; Essential Governmental Functions as defined in Section 15.d; Essential Travel as defined in Section 15.i; to work for Essential Businesses as defined in Section 15.f, Outdoor Businesses as defined in Section 15.l, and Additional Businesses as defined in Section 15.n; or to perform Minimum Basic Operations for other businesses that must remain temporarily closed, as provided in Section 15.g. For clarity, individuals who do not currently reside in the County must comply with all applicable requirements of the Order when in the County. Individuals experiencing homelessness are exempt from this Section, but are strongly urged to obtain shelter, and governmental and other entities are strongly urged to, as soon as possible, make such shelter available and provide handwashing or hand sanitation facilities to persons who continue experiencing homelessness.
- 4. When people leave their place of residence for the limited purposes allowed in this Order, they must strictly comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in Section 15.k, except as expressly provided in this Order, and must wear face coverings as provided in, and subject to the limited exceptions in, Health Officer Order No. HO-COVID19-08 (the "Face Covering Order").
- 5. All businesses with a facility in the County, except Essential Businesses, Outdoor Businesses, and Additional Businesses, as defined in Section 15, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations, as



defined in Section 15. For clarity, all businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of owners, personnel, volunteers, or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e., working from home). All Essential Businesses are strongly encouraged to remain open. Outdoor Businesses must conduct all business and transactions involving members of the public outdoors. Telework is strongly encouraged at all businesses.

- 6. As a condition of operating under this Order, the operators of all businesses must prepare or update, post, implement, and distribute to their personnel a Social Distancing Protocol for each of their facilities in the County frequented by personnel or members of the public, as specified in Section 15.h. In addition to the Social Distancing Protocol, all businesses allowed to operate under this Order must follow applicable industry-specific guidance issued by the State of California related to COVID-19, set forth at <a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/">https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/</a>, and any conditions on operation specified in this Order, including, with regard to Additional Businesses, those specified in Appendix C-1. Except as allowed in Appendix C-1, businesses that include an Essential Business or Outdoor Business component at their facilities alongside other components must, to the extent feasible, scale down their operations to the Essential Business and Outdoor Business components only; provided, however, mixed retail businesses that are otherwise allowed to operate under this Order may continue to stock and sell non-essential products.
- 7. All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except for the limited purposes expressly permitted in this Order. Health Officer Order No. HO-COVID19-01, which prohibited mass gatherings of 100 or more persons, is hereby rescinded. Nothing in this Order prohibits members of a single household or living unit from engaging in Essential Travel, Essential Activities, Outdoor Activities, or Additional Activities together.
- 8. All travel, including, but not limited to, travel on foot, bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, automobile, or public transit, except Essential Travel, as defined below in Section 15.i, is prohibited. People may use public transit only for purposes of performing Essential Activities, Outdoor Activities, or Additional Activities, or to travel to and from Essential Businesses, Outdoor Businesses, or Additional Businesses, to maintain Essential Governmental Functions, or to perform Minimum Basic Operations at businesses that are not allowed to resume operations. Transit agencies and people riding on public transit must comply with Social Distancing Requirements, as defined in Section 15.k, to the greatest extent feasible, and personnel and passengers must wear Face Coverings as required by the Face Covering Order. This Order allows travel into or out of the County only to perform Essential Activities, Outdoor Activities, or Additional Activities; to operate, perform work for, or access a business allowed to operate under this Order; to perform Minimum Basic Operations at other businesses; or to maintain Essential Governmental Functions.
- 9. This Order is issued based on evidence of continued significant community transmission of COVID-19 within the County; continued uncertainty regarding the degree of



undetected asymptomatic transmission; scientific evidence and best practices regarding the most effective approaches to slow the transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically; evidence that the age, condition, and health of a significant portion of the population of the County places it at risk for serious health complications, including death, from COVID-19; and further evidence that others, including younger and otherwise healthy people, are also at risk for serious outcomes. Due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 disease in the general public, which is a pandemic according to the World Health Organization, there is a public health emergency throughout the County. Making the problem worse, some individuals who contract the virus causing COVID-19 have no symptoms or have mild symptoms, which means they may not be aware they carry the virus and are transmitting it to others. Further, evidence shows that the virus can survive for hours to days on surfaces and be indirectly transmitted between individuals. Because even people without symptoms can transmit the infection, and because evidence shows the infection is easily spread, gatherings and other direct or indirect interpersonal interactions can result in preventable transmission of the virus.

- 10. The collective efforts taken to date regarding this public health emergency have slowed the virus' trajectory, but the emergency and the attendant risk to public health remain significant. As of June 4, 2020, a total of 1,547 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the County have been reported (up from 34 on March 15, 2020, just before the first shelter-in-place order). The cumulative number of confirmed cases continues to increase, though the rate of increase has slowed in the weeks leading up to this Order. Evidence suggests that the restrictions on mobility and social distancing requirements imposed by the Prior Order (and the orders that preceded it) are slowing the rate of increase in community transmission and confirmed cases by limiting interactions among people, consistent with scientific evidence of the efficacy of similar measures in other parts of the country and world.
- 11. The Health Officer is monitoring several key indicators ("COVID-19 Indicators"), which are among the many factors informing their decisions whether to modify existing shelterin-place restrictions. Progress on some of these COVID-19 Indicators—specifically related to hospital utilization and capacity—makes it appropriate, at this time, to allow more Additional Businesses to resume operations and more Additional Activities to take place under specified conditions, as set forth in Sections 15.n. and 15.o. and Appendices C-1 and C-2. But the continued prevalence of the virus that causes COVID-19 requires most activities and business functions to remain restricted, and those activities that are allowed to occur must do so subject to social distancing and other infection control practices identified by the Health Officer. Evaluation of the COVID-19 Indicators will be critical to determinations by the local health officers regarding whether the restrictions imposed by this Order will be further modified to ease or tighten the restrictions imposed by this Order and augment, limit, or prohibit the Additional Businesses and Additional Activities allowed to resume. The Health Officer will continually review whether modifications to the Order are warranted based on (1) progress on the COVID-19 Indicators; (2) developments in epidemiological and diagnostic methods for tracing, diagnosing, treating, or testing for COVID-19; and (3) scientific understanding of the



transmission dynamics and clinical impact of COVID-19. The COVID-19 Indicators include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. The trend of the number of new COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations per day.
- b. The capacity of hospitals and the health system in the County and region, including acute care beds and Intensive Care Unit beds, to provide care for COVID-19 patients and other patients, including during a surge in COVID-19 cases.
- c. The supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) available for hospital staff and other healthcare providers and personnel who need PPE to safely respond to and treat COVID-19 patients.
- d. The ability and capacity to quickly and accurately test persons to determine whether they are COVID-19 positive, especially those in vulnerable populations or high-risk settings or occupations.
- e. The ability to conduct case investigation and contact tracing for the volume of cases and associated contacts that will continue to occur, isolating confirmed cases and quarantining persons who have had contact with confirmed cases.
- 12. The scientific evidence shows that at this stage of the emergency, it remains essential to continue to slow virus transmission to help (a) protect the most vulnerable; (b) prevent the health care system from being overwhelmed; (c) prevent long-term chronic health conditions, such as cardiovascular, kidney, and respiratory damage and loss of limbs from blood clotting; and (d) prevent deaths. Continuation of the Prior Order is necessary to slow the spread of COVID-19, preserving critical and limited healthcare capacity in the County and advancing toward a point in the public health emergency where transmission can be controlled. At the same time, since the Prior Order was issued, the County has continued to make progress in expanding health system capacity and healthcare resources and in slowing community transmission of COVID-19. In light of progress on these indicators, and subject to continued monitoring and potential public health-based responses, in addition to those already allowed to operate under the Prior Order as Essential Businesses, Outdoor Businesses and Additional Businesses, it is appropriate at this time to begin allowing operation of more Additional Businesses. For the same reason, it is also appropriate to allow the resumption of more Additional Activities. These businesses and activities are identified based on health-related considerations and transmission risk factors including, but not limited to, the intensity and quantity of contacts and the ability to substantially mitigate transmission risks associated with the operations, and guidance issued by the State of California.
- 13. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference, the March 4, 2020, Proclamation of a State of Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom and the March 10, 2020, Proclamation by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors declaring the existence of a local emergency.



14. This Order is also issued in light of the March 19, 2020, Order of the State Public Health Officer (the "State Shelter Order"), which set baseline statewide restrictions on nonresidential business activities, effective until further notice, and the Governor's March 19, 2020, Executive Order N-33-20 directing California residents to follow the State Shelter Order. The May 4, 2020, Executive Order issued by Governor Newsom and May 7, 2020, Order of the State Public Health Officer permit certain businesses to reopen if a local health officer believes the conditions in that jurisdictions warrant it, but expressly acknowledge the authority of local health officers to establish and implement public health measures within their respective jurisdictions that are more restrictive than those implemented by the State Public Health Officer. This Order adopts in certain respects more stringent restrictions addressing the particular facts and circumstances in this County, which are necessary to control the public health emergency as it is evolving within the County and the Bay Area. Without this tailored set of restrictions that further reduces the number of interactions between persons, scientific evidence indicates that the public health crisis in the County will worsen to the point at which it may overtake available health care resources within the County and increase the death rate. Also, this Order enumerates additional restrictions on non-work-related travel not covered by the State Shelter Order; sets forth mandatory Social Distancing Requirements for all individuals in the County when engaged in activities outside their residences; and adds a mechanism to ensure that all businesses with facilities that are allowed to operate under the Order comply with the Social Distancing Requirements. Where this Order is more restrictive than a state public health order related to the COVID-19 pandemic, this Order controls. Consistent with California Health and Safety Code section 131080 and the Health Officer Practice Guide for Communicable Disease Control in California, except where the State Health Officer may issue an order expressly directed at this Order and based on a finding that a provision of this Order constitutes a menace to public health, any more restrictive measures in this Order continue to apply and control in this County. In addition, to the extent any federal guidelines allow activities that are not allowed by this Order, this Order controls and those activities are not allowed.

#### 15. Requirements and Exemptions.

- a. For the purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform the following "Essential Activities." But people at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and people who are sick are strongly urged to stay in their residence to the extent possible, except as necessary to seek or provide medical care or Essential Governmental Functions. Essential Activities are:
  - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks important to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (including pets), such as, by way of example only and without limitation, obtaining medical supplies or medication, or visiting a health care professional.



- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others, such as, by way of example only and without limitation, canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products, or products necessary to maintain the habitability, sanitation, and operation of residences.
- iii. To engage in outdoor recreation activity, including, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, bicycling, and running, in compliance with Social Distancing Requirements and with the following limitations:
  - Outdoor recreation activity at parks, beaches, and other open spaces must comply with any restrictions on access and use established by the Health Officer, government, or other entity that manages such area to reduce crowding and risk of transmission of COVID-19. Such restrictions may include, but are not limited to, restricting the number of entrants, closing the area to vehicular access and parking, or closure to all public access;
  - 2. Except as authorized in Appendix C-2 attached to this Order, use of outdoor recreational areas and facilities with high-touch equipment or that encourage gathering, including, but not limited to, playgrounds, gym equipment, climbing walls, and spas, is prohibited outside of residences, and all such areas shall be closed to public access including by signage and, as appropriate, by physical barriers;
  - 3. Use of shared outdoor facilities for recreational activities outside of residences allowed by this Order, including, but not limited to, golf courses, tennis and pickle ball courts, skate parks, shooting and archery ranges, and athletic fields, must comply with any restrictions on access and use established by the Health Officer, government, or other entity that manages such area to reduce crowding and risk of transmission of COVID-19; and
  - 4. Sports or activities that include the use of shared equipment or physical contact between participants may only be engaged in by members of the same household or living unit.
- iv. To perform work for or access an Essential Business, Outdoor Business, or Additional Business; or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order, including Minimum Basic Operations, as defined in this Section.



- v. To provide necessary care for a family member or pet in another household who has no other source of care.
- vi. To attend a funeral with no more than 10 individuals present.
- vii. To move residences. When moving into or out of the Bay Area region, individuals are strongly urged to quarantine for 14 days. To quarantine, individuals should follow the guidance of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- viii. To engage in Additional Activities.
- b. For the purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence to work for, volunteer at, or obtain services at "Healthcare Operations," including, without limitation, hospitals, clinics, COVID-19 testing locations, dentists, pharmacies, blood banks and blood drives, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, home healthcare services providers, mental health providers, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. "Healthcare Operations" also includes veterinary care and all healthcare services provided to animals. This exemption for Healthcare Operations shall be construed broadly to avoid any interference with the delivery of healthcare, broadly defined. "Healthcare Operations" excludes fitness and exercise gyms and similar facilities.
- c. For the purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence to provide any services or perform any work necessary to the operation and maintenance of "Essential Infrastructure," including airports, utilities (including water, sewer, gas, and electrical), oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste facilities (including collection, removal, disposal, recycling, and processing facilities), cemeteries, mortuaries, crematoriums, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for internet, computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and webbased services).
- d. For the purposes of this Order, all first responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, and law enforcement personnel, and others who need to perform essential services are categorically exempt from this Order to the extent they are performing those essential services. Further, nothing in this Order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Governmental Functions," as determined by the governmental entity performing those functions in the County. Each governmental entity shall identify and designate appropriate personnel, volunteers, or contractors to continue providing and carrying out any Essential Governmental Functions, including the hiring or retention of new personnel or contractors to perform such functions. Each governmental entity and its contractors must employ all necessary emergency protective measures to prevent,



- mitigate, respond to, and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, and all Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with Social Distancing Requirements to the greatest extent feasible.
- e. For the purposes of this Order, a "business" includes any for-profit, non-profit, or educational entity, whether a corporate entity, organization, partnership or sole proprietorship, and regardless of the nature of the service, the function it performs, or its corporate or entity structure.
- f. For the purposes of this Order, "Essential Businesses" are:
  - i. Healthcare Operations and businesses that operate, maintain, or repair Essential Infrastructure;
  - ii. Grocery stores, certified farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of unprepared food, canned food, dry goods, non-alcoholic beverages, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, as well as hygienic products and household consumer products necessary for personal hygiene or the habitability, sanitation, or operation of residences. The businesses included in this subparagraph (ii) include establishments that sell multiple categories of products provided that they sell a significant amount of essential products identified in this subparagraph, such as liquor stores that also sell a significant amount of food.
  - iii. Food cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;
  - iv. Businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;
  - v. Construction, but only pursuant to the Construction Safety Protocols listed in Appendix B-1 or Appendix B-2, whichever is applicable. Public works projects shall also be subject to Appendix B-1 or Appendix B-2, whichever is applicable, except if other protocols are specified by the Health Officer. Appendix B-1 and Appendix B-2 are incorporated into this Order by this reference;
  - vi. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
  - vii. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair (including, but not limited to, for cars, trucks, motorcycles and motorized scooters), and automotive dealerships, but only for the purpose of providing auto-supply and auto-repair services. This subparagraph (vii) does not restrict the on-line



purchase of automobiles if they are delivered to a residence or Essential Business;

- viii. Bicycle repair and supply shops;
- ix. Banks and related financial institutions;
- x. Service providers that enable real estate transactions (including rentals, leases, and home sales), including, but not limited to, real estate agents, escrow agents, notaries, and title companies, provided that appointments and other residential real estate viewings must only occur virtually or, if a virtual viewing is not feasible, by appointment with no more than two visitors at a time residing within the same household or living unit and one individual showing the unit (except that in person visits are not allowed when the occupant is present in the residence);
- xi. Hardware stores;
- xii. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the habitability, sanitation, or operation of residences and Essential Businesses;
- xiii. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;
- xiv. Educational institutions—including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities—for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, or as allowed under subparagraph xxvi, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible;
- xv. Laundromats, drycleaners, and laundry service providers;
- xvi. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out. Schools and other entities that typically provide free food services to students or members of the public may continue to do so under this Order on the condition that the food is provided to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only. Schools and other entities that provide food services under this exemption shall not permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided, or at any other gathering site;
- xvii. Funeral home providers, mortuaries, cemeteries, and crematoriums, to the extent necessary for the transport, preparation, or processing of bodies or remains:



- xviii. Businesses that supply other Essential Businesses and Outdoor Businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate, but only to the extent that they support or supply these businesses. This exemption shall not be used as a basis for engaging in sales to the general public from retail storefronts;
  - xix. Businesses that have the primary function of shipping or delivering groceries, food, or other goods directly to residences or businesses. This exemption shall not be used to allow for manufacturing or assembly of non-essential products or for other functions besides those necessary to the delivery operation;
  - xx. Airlines, taxis, rental car companies, rideshare services (including shared bicycles and scooters), and other private transportation providers providing transportation services necessary for Essential Activities and other purposes expressly authorized in this Order;
  - xxi. Home-based care for seniors, adults, children, and pets;
- xxii. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;
- xxiii. Professional services, such as legal, notary, or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with non-elective, legally required activities or in relation to death or incapacity;
- xxiv. Services to assist individuals in finding employment with Essential Businesses;
- xxv. Moving services that facilitate residential or commercial moves that are allowed under this Order; and
- xxvi. Childcare establishments, summer camps, and other educational or recreational institutions or programs providing care or supervision for children of all ages. To the extent possible, these operations must comply with the following conditions:
  - 1. They must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer children ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day).
  - 2. Children shall not change from one group to another.
  - 3. If more than one group of children is at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other.



- 4. Providers or educators shall remain solely with one group of children.
- The operations must comply with applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California
   (https://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/CCLD/PINs/2020/CCP/PIN\_2 0-06-CCP.pdf).

The Health Officer will carefully monitor the changing public health situation as well as any changes to the State Shelter Order. In the event that the State relaxes restrictions on childcare and related institutions and programs, the Health Officer will consider whether to similarly relax the restrictions imposed by this Order.

- g. For the purposes of this Order, "Minimum Basic Operations" means the following activities for businesses, provided that owners, personnel, and contractors comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined this Section, to the extent possible, while carrying out such operations:
  - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain and protect the value of the business's inventory and facilities; ensure security, safety, and sanitation; process payroll and employee benefits; provide for the delivery of existing inventory directly to residences or businesses; and related functions. For clarity, this section does not permit businesses to provide curbside pickup to customers.
  - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate owners, personnel, and contractors of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences, and to ensure that the business can deliver its service remotely.
- h. For the purposes of this Order, all businesses that are operating at facilities in the County visited or used by the public or personnel must, as a condition of such operation, prepare and post a "Social Distancing Protocol" for each of these facilities; provided, however, that construction activities shall instead comply with the Construction Project Safety Protocols set forth in Appendix B-1 or Appendix B-2, whichever is applicable, and not the Social Distancing Protocol. The Social Distancing Protocol must be substantially in the form attached to this Order as Appendix A, incorporated into this Order by reference, and it must be updated from prior versions to address new requirements listed in this Order or in related guidance or directives from the Health Officer. The Social Distancing Protocol must be posted at or near the entrance of the relevant facility, and shall be easily viewable by the public and personnel. A copy of the Social Distancing Protocol must also be provided to each person performing work at the facility. All businesses subject to this paragraph shall implement the Social Distancing Protocol and provide evidence of its implementation to any authority enforcing



this Order upon demand. The Social Distancing Protocol must explain how the business is achieving the following, as applicable:

- i. Limiting the number of people who can enter into the facility at any one time to ensure that people in the facility can easily maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another at all times, except as required to complete Essential Business activity;
- ii. Requiring face coverings to be worn by all persons entering the facility, other than those exempted from face covering requirements (e.g. young children);
- iii. Where lines may form at a facility, marking six-foot increments at a minimum, establishing where individuals should stand to maintain adequate social distancing;
- iv. Providing hand sanitizer, soap and water, or effective disinfectant at or near the entrance of the facility and in other appropriate areas for use by the public and personnel, and in locations where there is high-frequency employee interaction with members of the public (e.g. cashiers);
- v. Providing for contactless payment systems or, if not feasible to do so, the providing for disinfecting all payment portals, pens, and styluses after each use;
- vi. Regularly disinfecting other high-touch surfaces;
- vii. Posting a sign at the entrance of the facility informing all personnel and customers that they should: avoid entering the facility if they have any COVID-19 symptoms; maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another; sneeze and cough into one's elbow; not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact; and
- viii. Any additional social distancing measures being implemented (see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's guidance at:

  <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html</a>).
- i. For the purposes of this Order, "Essential Travel" means travel for any of the following purposes:
  - Travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses, Minimum Basic Operations, Outdoor Activities, Outdoor Businesses, Additional Activities, and Additional Businesses.



- ii. Travel to care for any elderly, minors, dependents, or persons with disabilities.
- iii. Travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services.
- iv. Travel to return to a place of residence from outside the County.
- v. Travel required by law enforcement or court order.
- vi. Travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County. Individuals are strongly encouraged to verify that their transportation out of the County remains available and functional prior to commencing such travel.
- vii. Travel to manage after-death arrangements and burial.
- viii. Travel to arrange for shelter or avoid homelessness.
- ix. Travel to avoid domestic violence or child abuse.
- x. Travel for parental custody arrangements.
- xi. Travel to a place to temporarily reside in a residence or other facility to avoid potentially exposing others to COVID-19, such as a hotel or other facility provided by a governmental authority for such purposes.
- j. For purposes of this Order, "residences" include hotels, motels, shared rental units and similar facilities. Residences also include living structures and outdoor spaces associated with those living structures, such as patios, porches, backyards, and front yards that are only accessible to a single family or household unit.
- k. For purposes of this Order, "Social Distancing Requirements" means:
  - i. Maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from individuals who are not part of the same household or living unit;
  - Frequently washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or using hand sanitizer that is recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as effective in combatting COVID-19;
  - iii. Covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or fabric or, if not possible, into the sleeve or elbow (but not into hands);



- iv. Wearing a face covering when out in public, consistent with the orders or guidance of the Health Officer; and
- v. Avoiding all social interaction outside the household when sick with a fever, cough, or other COVID-19 symptoms.

All individuals must strictly comply with Social Distancing Requirements, except to the limited extent necessary to provide care (including childcare, adult or senior care, care to individuals with special needs, and patient care); as necessary to carry out the work of Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, or provide for Minimum Basic Operations; or as otherwise expressly provided in this Order. Outdoor Activities, Outdoor Businesses, Additional Activities and Additional Businesses must strictly adhere to these Social Distancing Requirements.

- 1. For purposes of this Order, "Outdoor Businesses" means:
  - i. The following businesses that normally operated primarily outdoors prior to March 16, 2020, and where there is the ability to fully maintain social distancing of at least six feet between all persons:
    - 1. Businesses primarily operated outdoors, such as wholesale and retail plant nurseries, agricultural operations, and garden centers.
    - Service providers that primarily provide outdoor services, such as landscaping and gardening services, and environmental site remediation services.

For clarity, "Outdoor Businesses" do not include outdoor restaurants, cafes, or bars, or businesses that promote large, coordinated, and prolonged gatherings, such as outdoor concert venues and amusement parks.

- m. For purposes of this Order, "Outdoor Activities" means:
  - i. To obtain goods, services, or supplies from, or perform work for, an Outdoor Business.
  - ii. To engage in outdoor recreation as permitted in Section 15.a.
- n. For purposes of this Order, "Additional Business" means any business, entity, or other organization identified as an Additional Business in Appendix C-1, which will be updated as warranted based on the Health Officer's ongoing evaluation of the COVID-19 Indicators and other data. In addition to the other requirements in this Order, operation of those Additional Businesses is subject to any conditions and health and safety requirements set forth in Appendix C-1 and in applicable



industry-specific guidance issued by the State of California. Appendix C-1 is incorporated into this Order by this reference.

- o. For purposes of this Order, "Additional Activities" means:
  - i. To obtain goods, services, or supplies from, or perform work for, Additional Businesses identified in Appendix C-1, subject to any conditions and health and safety requirements set forth in this Order and any applicable industry-specific guidance issued by the State of California.
  - ii. To engage in activities set forth in Appendix C-2, which will be updated as warranted based on the Health Officer's ongoing evaluation of the COVID-19 Indicators and other data. Engagement in Additional Activities is subject to applicable conditions and health and safety requirements set forth in this Order and Appendix C-2. Appendix C-2 is incorporated into this Order by this reference.
- 16. Government agencies and other entities operating shelters and other facilities that house or provide meals or other necessities of life for individuals experiencing homelessness must take appropriate steps to help ensure compliance with Social Distancing Requirements, including adequate provision of hand sanitizer. Also, individuals experiencing homelessness who are unsheltered and living in encampments should, to the maximum extent feasible, abide by 12 foot by 12 foot distancing for the placement of tents, and government agencies should provide restroom and hand washing facilities for individuals in such encampments as set forth in Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Interim Guidance Responding to Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Among People Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness (<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/unsheltered-homelessness.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/unsheltered-homelessness.html</a>).
- 17. Pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all chiefs of police in the County ensure compliance with and enforce this Order. The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes an imminent threat and menace to public health, constitutes a public nuisance, and is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both.
- 18. This Order shall become effective at 5 p.m. on June 5, 2020, and will continue to be in effect until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Health Officer.
- 19. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the Office of the Director of Contra Costa Health Services, 1220 Morello Avenue, Suite 200, Martinez, CA 94553; (2) posted on the Contra Costa Health Services website (<a href="https://www.cchealth.org">https://www.cchealth.org</a>); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order. Questions or comments regarding this Order may be directed to Contra Costa Health Services at (844) 729-8410.



20. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Dated: June 5, 2020

Chris Farnitano, M.D.

Health Officer of the County of Contra Costa

Cloth, MD

Attachments: Appendix A – Social Distancing Protocol

Appendix B-1 – Small Construction Project Safety Protocol Appendix B-2 – Large Construction Project Safety Protocol Appendix C-1 – Additional Businesses (updated June 5, 2020) Appendix C-2 – Additional Activities (updated June 5, 2020)

### Appendix A: Social Distancing Protocol (Updated April 29, 2020)

Business name:		
Facility Address:		
Approximate gross square footage of space open to the public:  Businesses must implement all applicable measures listed below, and be prepared to explain why any measure that is not implemented is inapplicable to the business.		
□ Signage at each public entrance of the facility to inform all employees and customers that they should: avoid entering the facility if they have COVID-19 symptoms; maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another; sneeze and cough into a cloth or tissue or, if not available, into one's elbow; wear face coverings, as appropriate; and not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact.		
☐ Signage posting a copy of the Social Distancing Protocol at each public entrance to the facility.		
Measures To Protect Employee Health (check all that apply to the facility):		
$\square$ Everyone who can carry out their work duties from home has been directed to do so.		
$\square$ All employees have been told not to come to work if sick.		
$\square$ Symptom checks are being conducted before employees may enter the work space.		
$\square$ Employees are required to wear face coverings, as appropriate.		
$\square$ All desks or individual work stations are separated by at least six feet.		
☐ Break rooms, bathrooms, and other common areas are being disinfected frequently, on the following schedule: ☐ Break rooms: ☐ Bathrooms: ☐ Other		
☐ Disinfectant and related supplies are available to all employees at the following location(s):		
☐ Hand sanitizer effective against COVID-19 is available to all employees at the following location(s):		
☐ Soap and water are available to all employees at the following location(s):		
☐ Copies of this Protocol have been distributed to all employees.		
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:		
Measures To Prevent Crowds From Gathering (check all that apply to the facility):		
☐ Limit the number of customers in the store at any one time to which allows for customers and employees to easily maintain at least six-foot distance from one another at all practicable times.		
$\square$ Post an employee at the door to ensure that the maximum number of customers in the facility set forth above is not exceeded.		



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☐ Placing per-person limits on goods that are selling out quickly to reduce crowds and lines. Explain:
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
Measures To Keep People At Least Six Feet Apart (check all that apply to the facility)
$\Box$ Placing signs outside the store reminding people to be at least six feet apart, including when in line.
$\Box$ Placing tape or other markings at least six feet apart in customer line areas inside the store and on sidewalks at public entrances with signs directing customers to use the markings to maintain distance.
$\square$ Separate order areas from delivery areas to prevent customers from gathering.
☐ All employees have been instructed to maintain at least six feet distance from customers and from each other, except employees may momentarily come closer when necessary to accept payment, deliver goods or services, or as otherwise necessary.
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
Measures To Prevent Unnecessary Contact (check all that apply to the facility):
☐ Preventing people from self-serving any items that are food-related.
$\square$ Lids for cups and food-bar type items are provided by staff; not to customers to grab.
☐ Bulk-item food bins are not available for customer self-service use.
$\square$ Not permitting customers to bring their own bags, mugs, or other reusable items from home.
☐ Providing for contactless payment systems or, if not feasible, sanitizing payment systems regularly. Describe:
☐ Optional—Describe other measures (e.g. providing senior-only hours):
Measures To Increase Sanitization (check all that apply to the facility):
☐ Disinfecting wipes that are effective against COVID-19 are available near shopping carts and shopping baskets.
☐ Employee(s) assigned to disinfect carts and baskets regularly.
☐ Hand sanitizer, soap and water, or effective disinfectant is available to the public at or near the entrance of the facility, at checkout counters, and anywhere else where people have direct interactions.
$\square$ Disinfecting all payment portals, pens, and styluses after each use.
☐ Disinfecting all high-contact surfaces frequently.
☐ Optional—Describe other measures:
* Any additional measures not included here should be listed on separate pages and attached to this document.

You may contact the following person with any questions or comments about this protocol:

Name: Phone number:



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#### **Small Construction Project Safety Protocol**

- 1. Any construction project meeting any of the following specifications is subject to this Small Construction Project Safety Protocol ("SCP Protocol"), including public works projects unless otherwise specified by the Health Officer:
  - a. For residential projects, any single-family, multi-family, senior, student, or other residential construction, renovation, or remodel project consisting of 10 units or less. This SCP Protocol does not apply to construction projects where a person is performing construction on their current residence either alone or solely with members of their own household.
  - b. For commercial projects, any construction, renovation, or tenant improvement project consisting of 20,000 square feet of floor area or less.
  - c. For mixed-use projects, any project that meets both of the specifications in subsection 1.a and 1.b.
  - d. All other construction projects not subject to the Large Construction Project Safety Protocol set forth in Appendix B-2.
- 2. The following restrictions and requirements must be in place at all construction job sites subject to this SCP Protocol:
  - a. Comply with all applicable and current laws and regulations including but not limited to OSHA and Cal-OSHA. If there is any conflict, difference, or discrepancy between or among applicable laws and regulations and/or this SCP Protocol, the stricter standard shall apply.
  - b. Designate a site-specific COVID-19 supervisor or supervisors to enforce this guidance. A designated COVID-19 supervisor must be present on the construction site at all times during construction activities. A COVID-19 supervisor may be an on-site worker who is designated to serve in this role.
  - c. The COVID-19 supervisor must review this SCP Protocol with all workers and visitors to the construction site.
  - d. Establish a daily screening protocol for arriving staff to ensure that potentially infected staff do not enter the construction site. If workers leave the jobsite and return the same day, establish a cleaning and decontamination protocol prior to entry and exit of the jobsite. Post the daily screening protocol at all entrances and exits to the jobsite. More information on screening can be found online at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/community/index.html.
  - e. Practice social distancing by maintaining a minimum six-foot distance between workers at all times, except as strictly necessary to carry out a task associated with the construction project.



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- f. Where construction work occurs within an occupied residential unit, separate work areas must be sealed off from the remainder of the unit with physical barriers such as plastic sheeting or closed doors sealed with tape to the extent feasible. If possible, workers must access the work area from an alternative entry/exit door to the entry/exit door used by residents. Available windows and exhaust fans must be used to ventilate the work area. If residents have access to the work area between workdays, the work area must be cleaned and sanitized at the beginning and at the end of workdays. Every effort must be taken to minimize contact between workers and residents, including maintaining a minimum of six feet of social distancing at all times.
- g. Where construction work occurs within common areas of an occupied residential or commercial building or a mixed-use building in use by on-site employees or residents, separate work areas must be sealed off from the rest of the common areas with physical barriers such as plastic sheeting or closed doors sealed with tape to the extent feasible. If possible, workers must access the work area from an alternative building entry/exit door to the building entry/exit door used by residents or other users of the building. Every effort must be taken to minimize contact between worker and building residents and users, including maintaining a minimum of six feet of social distancing at all times.
- h. Prohibit gatherings of any size on the jobsite, including gatherings for breaks or eating, except for meetings regarding compliance with this protocol or as strictly necessary to carry out a task associated with the construction project.
- i. Cal-OSHA requires employers to provide water, which should be provided in single-serve containers. Sharing of any of any food or beverage is strictly prohibited and if sharing is observed, the worker must be sent home for the day.
- j. Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) specifically for use in construction, including gloves, goggles, face shields, and face coverings as appropriate for the activity being performed. At no time may a contractor secure or use medical-grade PPE unless required due to the medical nature of a jobsite. Face coverings must be worn in compliance with Section 5 of the Health Officer's Order No. HO-COVID19-08, dated April 17, 2020, or any subsequently issued or amended order.
- k. Strictly control "choke points" and "high-risk areas" where workers are unable to maintain six-foot social distancing and prohibit or limit use to ensure that six-foot distance can easily be maintained between individuals.
- Minimize interactions and maintain social distancing with all site visitors, including delivery
  workers, design professional and other project consultants, government agency
  representatives, including building and fire inspectors, and residents at residential
  construction sites.



- m. Stagger trades as necessary to reduce density and allow for easy maintenance of minimum six-foot separation.
- n. Discourage workers from using others' desks, work tools, and equipment. If more than one worker uses these items, the items must be cleaned and disinfected with disinfectants that are effective against COVID-19 in between use by each new worker. Prohibit sharing of PPE.
- o. If hand washing facilities are not available at the jobsite, place portable wash stations or hand sanitizers that are effective against COVID-19 at entrances to the jobsite and in multiple locations dispersed throughout the jobsite as warranted.
- p. Clean and sanitize any hand washing facilities, portable wash stations, jobsite restroom areas, or other enclosed spaces daily with disinfectants that are effective against COVID-19. Frequently clean and disinfect all high touch areas, including entry and exit areas, high traffic areas, rest rooms, hand washing areas, high touch surfaces, tools, and equipment
- q. Maintain a daily attendance log of all workers and visitors that includes contact information, including name, phone number, address, and email.
- r. Post a notice in an area visible to all workers and visitors instructing workers and visitors to do the following:
  - i. Do not touch your face with unwashed hands or with gloves.
  - ii. Frequently wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
  - iii. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces such as work stations, keyboards, telephones, handrails, machines, shared tools, elevator control buttons, and doorknobs.
  - iv. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing, or cough or sneeze into the crook of your arm at your elbow/sleeve.
  - v. Do not enter the jobsite if you have a fever, cough, or other COVID-19 symptoms. If you feel sick, or have been exposed to anyone who is sick, stay at home.
  - vi. Constantly observe your work distances in relation to other staff. Maintain the recommended minimum six feet at all times when not wearing the necessary PPE for working in close proximity to another person.
  - vii. Do not carpool to and from the jobsite with anyone except members of your own household unit, or as necessary for workers who have no alternative means of transportation.
  - viii. Do not share phones or PPE.



#### **Large Construction Project Safety Protocol**

- 1. Any construction project meeting any of the following specifications is subject to this Large Construction Project Safety Protocol ("LCP Protocol"), including public works projects unless otherwise specified by the Health Officer:
  - a. For residential construction projects, any single-family, multi-family, senior, student, or other residential construction, renovation, or remodel project consisting of more than 10 units.
  - b. For commercial construction projects, any construction, renovation, or tenant improvement project consisting of more than 20,000 square feet of floor area.
  - c. For construction of Essential Infrastructure, as defined in section 16.c of the Order, any project that requires five or more workers at the jobsite at any one time.
- 2. The following restrictions and requirements must be in place at all construction job sites subject to this LCP Protocol:
  - a. Comply with all applicable and current laws and regulations including but not limited to OSHA and Cal-OSHA. If there is any conflict, difference or discrepancy between or among applicable laws and regulations and/or this LCP Protocol, the stricter standard will apply.
  - b. Prepare a new or updated Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan to address COVID-19-related issues, post the Plan on-site at all entrances and exits, and produce a copy of the Plan to County governmental authorities upon request. The Plan must be translated as necessary to ensure that all non-English speaking workers are able to understand the Plan.
  - c. Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) specifically for use in construction, including gloves, goggles, face shields, and face coverings as appropriate for the activity being performed. At no time may a contractor secure or use medical-grade PPE, unless required due to the medical nature of a job site. Face Coverings must be worn in compliance with Section 5 of the Health Officer's Order No. HO-COVID19-08, dated April 17, 2020, or any subsequently issued or amended order.
  - d. Ensure that employees are trained in the use of PPE. Maintain and make available a log of all PPE training provided to employees and monitor all employees to ensure proper use of the PPE.
  - e. Prohibit sharing of PPE.
  - f. Implement social distancing requirements including, at minimum:



- i. Stagger stop- and start-times for shift schedules to reduce the quantity of workers at the jobsite at any one time to the extent feasible.
- ii. Stagger trade-specific work to minimize the quantity of workers at the jobsite at any one time.
- iii. Require social distancing by maintaining a minimum six-foot distance between workers at all times, except as strictly necessary to carry out a task associated with the project.
- iv. Prohibit gatherings of any size on the jobsite, except for safety meetings or as strictly necessary to carry out a task associated with the project.
- v. Strictly control "choke points" and "high-risk areas" where workers are unable to maintain minimum six-foot social distancing and prohibit or limit use to ensure that minimum six-foot distancing can easily be maintained between workers.
- vi. Minimize interactions and maintain social distancing with all site visitors, including delivery workers, design professional and other project consultants, government agency representatives, including building and fire inspectors, and residents at residential construction sites.
- vii. Prohibit workers from using others' phones or desks. Any work tools or equipment that must be used by more than one worker must be cleaned with disinfectants that are effective against COVID-19 before use by a new worker.
- viii. Place wash stations or hand sanitizers that are effective against COVID-19 at entrances to the jobsite and in multiple locations dispersed throughout the jobsite as warranted.
- ix. Maintain a daily attendance log of all workers and visitors that includes contact information, including name, address, phone number, and email.
- x. Post a notice in an area visible to all workers and visitors instructing workers and visitors to do the following:
  - 1. Do not touch your face with unwashed hands or with gloves.
  - 2. Frequently wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
  - 3. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces such as workstations, keyboards, telephones, handrails, machines, shared tools, elevator control buttons, and doorknobs.
  - 4. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing or cough or sneeze into the crook of your arm at your elbow/sleeve.
  - 5. Do not enter the jobsite if you have a fever, cough, or other COVID-19 symptoms. If you feel sick, or have been exposed to anyone who is sick, stay at home.
  - 6. Constantly observe your work distances in relation to other staff. Maintain the recommended minimum six-feet distancing at all times when not wearing the necessary PPE for working in close proximity to another person.
  - 7. Do not share phones or PPE.
- xi. The notice in section 2.f.x must be translated as necessary to ensure that all non-English speaking workers are able to understand the notice.



- g. Implement cleaning and sanitization practices in accordance with the following:
  - i. Frequently clean and sanitize, in accordance with CDC guidelines, all high-traffic and high-touch areas including, at a minimum: meeting areas, jobsite lunch and break areas, entrances and exits to the jobsite, jobsite trailers, hand-washing areas, tools, equipment, jobsite restroom areas, stairs, elevators, and lifts.
  - ii. Establish a cleaning and decontamination protocol prior to entry and exit of the jobsite and post the protocol at entrances and exits of jobsite.
  - iii. Supply all personnel performing cleaning and sanitization with proper PPE to prevent them from contracting COVID-19. Employees must not share PPE.
  - iv. Establish adequate time in the workday to allow for proper cleaning and decontamination including prior to starting at or leaving the jobsite for the day.
- h. Implement a COVID-19 community spread reduction plan as part of the Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan that includes, at minimum, the following restrictions and requirements:
  - i. Prohibit all carpooling to and from the jobsite except by workers living within the same household unit, or as necessary for workers who have no alternative means of transportation.
  - ii. Cal-OSHA requires employers to provide water, which should be provided in singleserve containers. Prohibit any sharing of any food or beverage and if sharing is observed, the worker must be sent home for the day.
  - iii. Prohibit use of microwaves, water coolers, and other similar shared equipment.
- i. Assign a COVID-19 Safety Compliance Officer (SCO) to the jobsite and ensure the SCO's name is posted on the Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan. The SCO must:
  - i. Ensure implementation of all recommended safety and sanitation requirements regarding the COVID-19 virus at the jobsite.
  - ii. Compile daily written verification that each jobsite is compliant with the components of this LCP Protocol. Each written verification form must be copied, stored, and made immediately available upon request by any County official.
  - iii. Establish a daily screening protocol for arriving staff, to ensure that potentially infected staff do not enter the construction site. If workers leave the jobsite and return the same day, establish a cleaning and decontamination protocol prior to entry and exit of the jobsite. Post the daily screening protocol at all entrances and exit to the jobsite. More information on screening can be found online at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/index.html.
  - iv. Conduct daily briefings in person or by teleconference that must cover the following topics:
    - 1. New jobsite rules and pre-job site travel restrictions for the prevention of COVID-19 community spread.
    - 2. Review of sanitation and hygiene procedures.
    - 3. Solicitation of worker feedback on improving safety and sanitation.
    - 4. Coordination of construction site daily cleaning/sanitation requirements.
    - 5. Conveying updated information regarding COVID-19.
    - 6. Emergency protocols in the event of an exposure or suspected exposure to COVID-19.



- v. Develop and ensure implementation of a remediation plan to address any non-compliance with this LCP Protocol and post remediation plan at entrance and exit of jobsite during remediation period. The remediation plan must be translated as necessary to ensure that all non-English speaking workers are able to understand the document.
- vi. The SCO must not permit any construction activity to continue without bringing such activity into compliance with these requirements.
- vii. Report repeated non-compliance with this LCP Protocol to the appropriate jobsite supervisors and a designated County official.
- j. Assign a COVID-19 Third-Party Jobsite Safety Accountability Supervisor (JSAS) for the jobsite, who at a minimum holds an OSHA-30 certificate and first-aid training within the past two years, who must be trained in the protocols herein and verify compliance, including by visual inspection and random interviews with workers, with this LCP Protocol.
  - i. Within seven calendar days of each jobsite visit, the JSAS must complete a written assessment identifying any failure to comply with this LCP Protocol. The written assessment must be copied, stored, and, upon request by the County, sent to a designated County official.
  - ii. If the JSAS discovers that a jobsite is not in compliance with this LCP Protocol, the JSAS must work with the SCO to develop and implement a remediation plan.
  - iii. The JSAS must coordinate with the SCO to prohibit continuation of any work activity not in compliance with rules stated herein until addressed and the continuing work is compliant.
  - iv. The remediation plan must be sent to a designated County official within five calendar days of the JSAS's discovery of the failure to comply.
- k. In the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19 at any jobsite, the following must take place:
  - i. Immediately remove the infected individual from the jobsite with directions to seek medical care.
  - ii. Each location the infected worker was at must be decontaminated and sanitized by an outside vendor certified in hazmat clean ups, and work in these locations must cease until decontamination and sanitization is complete.
  - iii. The County Public Health Department must be notified immediately and any additional requirements per the County health officials must be completed, including full compliance with any tracing efforts by the County.
- Where construction work occurs within an occupied residential unit, any separate work area must be sealed off from the remainder of the unit with physical barriers such as plastic sheeting or closed doors sealed with tape to the extent feasible. If possible, workers must access the work area from an alternative entry/exit door to the entry/exit door used by residents. Available windows and exhaust fans must be used to ventilate the work area. If residents have access to the work area between workdays, the work area must be cleaned and sanitized at the beginning and at the end of workdays. Every effort must be taken to



minimize contact between workers and residents, including maintaining a minimum of six feet of social distancing at all times.

m. Where construction work occurs within common areas of an occupied residential or commercial building or a mixed-use building in use by on-site employees or residents, any separate work area must be sealed off from the rest of the common areas with physical barriers such as plastic sheeting or closed doors sealed with tape to the extent feasible. If possible, workers must access the work area from an alternative building entry/exit door to the building entry/exit door used by residents or other users of the building. Every effort must be taken to minimize contact between worker and building residents and users, including maintaining a minimum of six feet of social distancing at all times.

#### **Appendix C-1: Additional Businesses Permitted to Operate (Updated June 5, 2020)**

#### **General Requirements**

The "Additional Businesses" listed below may operate, subject to the requirements set forth in the Order and to any additional requirements set forth below or in separate industry-specific guidance by the Health Officer. These businesses were selected based on guidance issued by the State of California and to implement a measured expansion of commercial activity based on health-related considerations, including the risks of COVID-19 transmission associated with types and modes of business operations, the ability to substantially mitigate transmission risks associated with the operations, and related factors, such as the following:

- **Increase in mobility and volume of activity**—the overall impact the reopening will have on the number of people leaving their homes and traveling to work at or access the business;
- **Contact intensity**—the type (close or distant) and duration (brief or prolonged) of the contact involved in the business;
- **Number of contacts**—the approximate number of people that will be in the setting at the same time:
- **Modification potential**—the degree to which mitigation measures can decrease the risk of transmission.

To mitigate the risk of transmission to the greatest extent possible, before resuming or commencing operations, each Additional Business must:

- a. Prepare, post, implement, and distribute to their Personnel, as defined below, a Social Distancing Protocol as specified in Section 15.h. of the Order for each of its facilities in the County frequented by their Personnel or members of the public; and
- b. Prepare, post, implement, and distribute to its Personnel a written health and safety plan that addresses all applicable best practices set forth in relevant Health Officer directives.

As used in this Appendix C-1, "Personnel" means the following people who provide goods or services associated with the Additional Business: Employees; contractors and sub-contractors (such as those who sell goods or perform services onsite or who deliver goods for the business); independent contractors (such as "gig workers" who perform work via the Additional Business' app or other online interface); vendors who are permitted to sell goods onsite; volunteers; and other individuals who provide services onsite at the request of the Additional Business.

Each Additional Business must comply with Social Distancing Requirements, described in Section 15.k. of the Order, as well as all applicable industry-specific guidance issued by the State of California related to COVID-19, set forth at <a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/">https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/</a>. Additionally, each Additional Business must comply with Section 5 of the Face Covering Order.

#### **List of Additional Businesses**

For purposes of the Order, Additional Businesses include all of the following:



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#### (1) Retail Stores and Retail Supply Chain Businesses

a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>. The State of California has determined that retail businesses, and manufacturing and logistics and warehousing businesses that support retail businesses, may resume operation, subject to more restrictive local public health measures. Retail stores to which this provision applies includes, but is not limited to, bookstores, jewelry stores, toy stores, clothing and shoe stores, home and furnishing stores, sporting goods stores and florists. For clarity, this provision does not apply to personal service businesses such as beauty salons.

#### b. Description and Conditions to Operate.

- Curbside/Outside Pickup. All retail stores may operate for curbside or other outdoor pickup, subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-retail.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-retail.pdf</a>) and all of the following conditions:
  - (a) If a store is not open for indoor shopping, it may not display merchandise for sale on tables or otherwise outside the store, and customers may not enter the store.
  - (b) The store must have access to an area or areas outside the store for customer pickups. Subject to local requirements, a pickup area may be curbside, on a sidewalk, in a parking lot, or in any other area that is suitable for customer pickups and not in an enclosed space.
  - (c) The store must employ reasonable measures to require customers to comply with Social Distancing Requirements at the pickup areas, including but not limited to marking locations at six-foot intervals for customers to stand while waiting in line.
  - (d) The store must limit the number of Personnel in enclosed areas so that Personnel can comply with Social Distancing Requirements.
  - (e) The store must employ reasonable measures to prevent pedestrian or vehicle congestion in the vicinity of the pickup area.
- 2. <u>Indoor Retail</u>. All retail businesses may operate for indoor shopping, subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-retail.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-retail.pdf</a>). The number of Personnel and customers inside the store or other enclosed space must be limited so that Personnel and customers can comply with Social Distancing Requirements.
- 3. <u>Shopping Malls, Shopping Centers and Swap Meets</u>. Shopping malls, shopping centers and swap meets may resume operations subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-shopping-centers.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-shopping-centers.pdf</a>). Prior to opening, the operator of an indoor shopping mall must prepare and obtain the Health Officer's approval of a COVID-19 prevention



plan. The plan must address and describe with particularity how the facility will implement the preventive measures described in the guidance document. The plan must be submitted to the Health Officer at the Office of the Director of Contra Costa Health Services, 1220 Morello Avenue, Suite 200, Martinez, CA 94553.

- 4. <u>Manufacturing</u>. Manufacturing businesses permitted to operate under the state Resilience Roadmap (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/">https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/</a>), as it is amended from time to time, may operate, subject to applicable guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-manufacturing.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-manufacturing.pdf</a>). Manufacturers must also limit the number of Personnel in enclosed areas so that Personnel can comply with Social Distancing Requirements.
- 5. <u>Logistics and Warehousing Facilities</u>. Logistics and warehousing facilities permitted to operate under the State of California Resilience Roadmap (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/">https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/</a>), as it is amended from time to time, may operate, subject to applicable guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-logistics-warehousing.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-logistics-warehousing.pdf</a>). Logistics and warehousing facilities must also limit the number of Personnel in enclosed areas so that Personnel can comply with Social Distancing Requirements.

#### (2) <u>Limited Services That Do Not Generally Require Close Customer Contact</u>

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has determined that businesses providing limited services that do not generally require close customer contract may resume operation, subject to more restrictive local health measures.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Businesses that offer limited services that do not require close customer contact include, by way of example and without limitation, car washes, pet groomers and dog walkers, and businesses that provide services inside residences and community facilities where social distancing can be maintained, such as residential and janitorial cleaning services, heating, ventilation and air conditioning services, appliance repair persons, electricians, plumbers, other mechanical tradespersons, and general contractors. These businesses may operate subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-limited-services.pdf).

#### (3) Places of Worship and Providers of Religious Services and Cultural Ceremonies

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has determined that places of worship and providers of religious services and cultural ceremonies (collectively, "Places of Worship") may resume specified in-person activities under certain limitations.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Places of Worship may hold in-person religious services and cultural ceremonies, subject to applicable guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-places-of-worship.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-places-of-worship.pdf</a>), and in accordance with the following:



- 1. In-person religious services and cultural ceremonies may be held indoors, provided that the number of attendees does not exceed 12 persons, or 25 percent of the building's capacity, whichever is less.
- 2. In-person religious services and cultural ceremonies may be held outdoors, provided that the number of attendees does not exceed 100 persons, or 25 percent of the area's capacity, whichever is less.
- 3. A record of attendance, including the names and contact information for each attendee at a service or ceremony, must be created and preserved by the Place of Worship for a minimum of 14 days, and provided to Contra Costa Health Services immediately upon request in the event that a COVID-19 case is linked to the event.

#### (4) Office Workplaces

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has determined that office workplaces may resume operation.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: All office workplaces may open for business, subject to restrictions in applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-office-workspaces.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-office-workspaces.pdf</a>).

#### (5) Outdoor Museums and Other Outdoor Exhibit Spaces

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has determined that outdoor museums, open air galleries, botanical gardens, and other outdoor exhibit spaces (collectively "Outdoor Museums") may resume limited operation.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Outdoor Museums may operate subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-outdoor-museums.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-outdoor-museums.pdf</a>). Outdoor Museums do not include zoos or amusement parks. Associated indoor areas such as gift shops, cafes, restaurants and convention spaces must remain closed until full operations are authorized.

#### (6) <u>Libraries</u>

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has determined that libraries may operate for curbside pickup.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Libraries that have not been determined by a government entity to be providing Essential Government Functions may operate for curbside pickup only, subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-retail.pdf).



#### (7) <u>Drive-in Theaters</u>

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has determined that drive-in theaters may operate.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Drive-in theaters may operate subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-retail.pdf).

#### (8) Employers of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has identified a list of "Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers" in 13 sectors that perform functions critical to public health and safety, as well as economic and national security. Because these workers have been determined to be essential, it is necessary to categorize their employers as Additional Businesses, to the extent they are not Essential Businesses as defined by the Order, for the purposes of authorizing these workers to carry out their essential work.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Any business that employs Essential Critical Instructure Workers, as defined by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/">https://covid19.ca.gov/essential-workforce/</a>), may resume operations carried out by its essential workforce, subject to applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/">https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/</a>).

#### (9) Outdoor Dining

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: Outdoor dining provides access to freshly prepared meals at a relatively low risk of transmission. Because food service will be limited to outdoor areas, the overall volume of increased activity will be modest. In addition, interactions and activities that occur outdoors carry a lower risk of transmission than most indoor interactions and activities. Risks associated with these operations can be substantially mitigated through measures that provide for adequate social distancing.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Restaurants and other food facilities that provide sit-down food service may provide outdoor, sit-down meals, subject to the following limitations in addition to those required elsewhere in the Order:
  - 1. Outdoor seating arrangements must limit the number of patrons at a single table to no more than six (6) individuals, all of whom must be from the same household or living unit. Members of separate households or living units are not allowed to dine at the same table.
  - 2. All tables must be separated to ensure that six-feet minimum social distance can easily be maintained between all members of separate households or living units at all times. For clarity, patrons who are members of the same household or living unit and seated together at a table do not need to be six feet apart.



- 3. Alcohol may be sold to patrons in conjunction with a meal, but it may not be sold separately.
- 4. Bar areas must remain closed to customers.
- 5. Entertainment events are not allowed at this time.
- 6. Outdoor dining, placement of outdoor seating arrangements and food service are subject to local laws, regulations and permitting requirements.
- 7. Facilities that open for outdoor dining must offer curbside/outside pickup, takeaway, or delivery service alternatives.
- 8. All food facilities authorized to open under this provision must comply with applicable industry guidance issued by the State of California (<a href="https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-dine-in-restaurants.pdf">https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-dine-in-restaurants.pdf</a>). The State requires the following:
  - Brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, craft distilleries, and wineries should remain closed until those establishments are allowed to resume modified or full operation unless they are offering sit-down, dine-in meals. Alcohol can only be sold in the same transaction as a meal.
  - Dine-in restaurants, brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, craft distilleries, and
    wineries that provide sit-down meals should follow the restaurant guidance
    below and should continue to encourage takeout and delivery service
    whenever possible.
  - Brewpubs, breweries, bars, pubs, craft distilleries, and wineries that do not provide sit-down meals themselves, but can contract with another vendor to do so, can serve dine-in meals provided both businesses follow the guidance below and alcohol is only sold in the same transaction as a meal.

#### (10) Outdoor Swimming Pools

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: Outdoor swimming pools have few high-touch surfaces and do not require shared equipment. Risks associated with outdoor swimming pools can be substantially mitigated through measures that provide for adequate social distancing.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Outdoor swimming pools may operate subject to the following limitations in addition to those required elsewhere in the Order:
  - 1. Lap swimming must be limited to one swimmer per lane, except that members of the same household or living unit may occupy a single lane.
  - 2. Use of shared swimming areas must be limited to no more than one swimmer per 300 square feet of shared pool space.



- 3. Except for members of the same household, swimmers shall remain at least six feet apart at all times.
- 4. At least one person, separate from a lifeguard, shall be on duty at all times to ensure that the social distancing protocol applicable to the facility and all limitations herein are followed.
- 5. Locker rooms shall be closed to the public, except for use as a restroom.
- 6. All gatherings shall be prohibited outside the pool, such as on pool decks, except that members of a household may observe a child or other person swimming to ensure safety and supervision.

#### (11) Campgrounds

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: Camping is an outdoor activity and can occur with members of one's own household without generating substantial risk of contact with other households.
   Risks associated with this activity can be mitigated through measures that provide for adequate social distancing.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions to Operate</u>: Campgrounds may operate subject to the following limitations in addition to those required elsewhere in the Order:
  - 1. Only designated camping spots may be used.
  - 2. Each camping spot may be occupied by only one household or living unit at a time.
  - 3. If camping spots are immediately adjacent to one another, there must be at least one closed camping spot between each open camping spot to maintain adequate distance between households or living units.
  - 4. Yurts, dorms, cabins, "glamping" facilities, and other permanent facilities may not be used, except for restrooms, food lockers, dishwashing stations, and drinking water stations, which must be frequently sanitized.
  - 5. To the extent feasible, reservations must be made by phone or online prior to arrival.



#### **Appendix C-2: Additional Activities (updated June 5, 2020)**

#### **General Requirements**

The "Additional Activities" listed below may resume, subject to the requirements set forth in the Order and to any additional requirements set forth below or in separate guidance by the Health Officer. These activities were selected to implement a measured expansion of activity based on health-related considerations including the risks of COVID-19 transmission associated with types and modes of activity, the ability to substantially mitigate transmission risks associated with the operations, and related factors, such as the following:

- **Increase in mobility and volume of activity**—the overall impact resumption of the activity will have on the number of people leaving their homes and interacting with others in the community;
- **Contact intensity**—the type (close or distant) and duration (brief or prolonged) of the contact involved in the activity;
- **Number of contacts**—the approximate number of people that will be in the setting at the same time:
- **Modification potential**—the degree to which mitigation measures can decrease the risk of transmission.

#### **List of Additional Activities**

For purposes of the Order, Additional Activities include all of the following:

#### (1) Small Social Gatherings

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>. Social gatherings of small groups of people who engage in support and recreational activities typical within households present a low risk for transmission of the virus that causes COVID-19 if the gatherings take place outdoors.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions</u>: Social gatherings of persons in a Social Bubble, as defined below, may take place if:
  - 1. The gathering takes place outside only, and
  - 2. The participants comply with all other applicable requirements under this Order.

Notwithstanding Section 15.k. of the Order, persons in Social Bubbles are not required to strictly adhere to Social Distancing Requirements while participating in social gatherings authorized under this section. However, persons in Social Bubbles who are over 12 years of age are strongly encouraged to:

- 1. Maintain six-foot social distancing from each other; and
- 2. Wear face coverings.



#### c. Definitions.

- 1. "Social Bubble" means a Stable Group of 12 that forms either a Household Support Unit, a Childcare Unit, or a Children's Extracurricular Activity Unit, for the purpose of engaging in activities allowed under this Order.
- 2. "Stable Group of 12" means a group of not more than 12 individuals over a three-week time period that is a Household Support Unit, a Childcare Unit, or a Children's Extracurricular Activity Unit.
- 3. "Household Support Unit" means a Stable Group of 12 that is formed for the purpose of engaging in the sort of support and activities that are typical of members of the same household (e.g., childcare, family recreation, etc.), regardless of whether they physically occupy the same dwelling. Each person may be part of only one Household Support Unit, and every resident of a single dwelling unit must be part of the same Household Support Unit, except that a child who resides in more than one dwelling unit as part of a court-ordered shared custody arrangement may be part of the Household Support Unit of each of the child's custodians.
- 4. "Childcare Unit" means a Stable Group of 12 (typically 10 children and 1-2 adults) that is formed for the purposes of the Essential Business of childcare under Section 15.f.xxvi. of the Order. Each person (adult or child) may be a part of only a single Childcare Unit, but children in the same household may be part of separate, age-appropriate Childcare Units.
- 5. "Children's Extracurricular Activity Unit" means a Stable Group of 12 (typically 10 children and 1-2 adults) that is formed for the purpose of organized recreation under 15.a.iii. Each person (adult or child) may be part of only one Children's Extracurricular Activity Unit, but children in the same household may be part of separate, age-appropriate Extracurricular Activity Units.

#### (2) Protests

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: The State of California has issued guidance for participation in inperson protests.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions</u>: Subject to requirements and restrictions of the local jurisdiction in which the protest takes place, persons may participate in protests if they wear face coverings and comply with Social Distancing Requirements, and attendance does not exceed 25 percent of the area's maximum capacity or 100 persons, whichever is lower.



#### (3) <u>Use of Dog Parks</u>

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: Dog parks are located outdoors, where the risk of transmission is low, and typically provide ample space for people to distance from one another. Risks associated with the use of dog parks can be mitigated through measures that provide for adequate social distancing.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions</u>: People may use dog parks subject to the following limitations:
  - 1. An individual must not enter a dog park if it is not possible at that time, within the park, to easily maintain at least six feet of separation from all other persons.
  - 2. Face coverings must be worn at all times, except by persons to which an exception under the Face Covering Order applies.

#### (4) Use of Picnic and Barbecue Areas

- a. <u>Basis for Addition</u>: Picnic and barbecue areas are located outdoors, where the risk of transmission is low, and typically provide ample space for groups to distance from each other. Risks associated with the use of these facilities can be mitigated by restricting the use of these facilities.
- b. <u>Description and Conditions</u>: People may use picnic areas and barbecue areas subject to the following limitations:
  - 1. Picnic areas and barbecue areas may be used only by households or living units.
  - 2. Each picnic table may be occupied by only one household or living unit at a time.
  - 3. Each barbecue pit or grill may be used by only household or living unit at a time.
  - 4. Each member of a household or living unit must maintain at least six feet of separation from all members of other households or living units in the area. For clarity, members of the same household or living unit do not need to be six feet apart from each other.

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## HEALTH OFFICER GUIDANCE FOR MODIFIED CHILDCARE DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC March 23, 2020

COVID-19 is an infectious disease, and there is evidence of minimal to moderate community spread in Contra Costa County. In order to limit the spread of disease, contact with infected individuals must be reduced as much as possible, and social distancing strategies must be implemented to slow the spread of disease. Contra Costa Health Services recognizes the need for education, social services, and essential community functions and services. This document aims to provide interim guidance for any modified childcare. In particular, we want to support the childcare needs for essential workers with a prioritization on frontline health care workers, emergency services workers (those working in the Health DOC-Department Operations Center EOC-Emergency Operations Center), first responders, and all county employees deployed as DSW (Disaster Service Workers).

## Pursuant to § 120175\* of the California Health and Safety Code, the Health Officer of Contra Costa County recommends the following guidance for childcare, effective immediately:

- 1) Modified childcare should:
  - a. Be in <u>stable groups of 6-12 children</u> ("stable" means that the same group of students are in the group each day). Students should not change from one group to another.
  - b. Each group should ideally be in a separate room, and groups should not mix with each other (for example: stagger meals, playground, recess, and toileting/personal hygiene activities to minimize mixing of groups). Avoid mixing students in common areas.
  - c. If the above is not possible, increase space between children's desks, ideally to be at least 3-6 feet apart
  - d. Staff should also be stable and remain with one group of students (primary caregivers should minimize movement from group to group or room to room).
  - e. Recommend excluding children with underlying medical conditions which could increase their risk. Personal physicians should be contacted for child-specific recommendations.

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<sup>\*</sup> H&S Code § 120175, et seq. (2001), Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Act. Each health officer knowing or having reason to believe that any case of the diseases made reportable by regulation of the department, or any other contagious, infectious or communicable disease exists, or has recently existed, within the territory under his or her jurisdiction, shall take measures as may be necessary to prevent the spread of the disease or occurrence of additional cases.

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#### 2) Infection control measures:

- a. Teachers, staff, and caregivers should self- screen at home for respiratory infection symptoms (coughing, sneezing, runny nose, and fever) each morning before interacting with students; Ill teachers and staff should NOT come to work.
- b. Exclude ill students and staff (those with symptoms specified above) from the facility. We strongly advise not requiring a doctor's note for ill absences. We recommend having a temporal (forehead) thermometer at each childcare site which can be cleaned after each use with 60% alcohol or a wipe.
- c. Students or staff who develop symptoms at childcare should be separated from others, and sent home immediately (within 1 hour).
- d. Ill students or staff should not return to childcare until they are well.
- e. Screen visitors **and** do not allow those with symptoms of fever and/or respiratory infection to visit. Limit non-essential visitors.
- f. Students, staff, and teachers should maintain 6 feet of separation as much as possible.
- g. Students, staff, and teachers should wash hands with soap and water, or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer (if hands are not visibly dirty) <u>before and after</u> eating, drinking, touching eyes/nose/mouth, toileting, and physical contact with each other.
- h. High-contact areas and surfaces (i.e. counters, educational equipment, telephones, door-knobs, etc) should be cleaned and disinfected frequently. Most common EPA-registered household disinfectants should be effective. A list of products that are EPA-approved for use against the virus that causes COVID-19 is available at cchealth.org and here

The duration of this guidance will be determined by the spread of disease in the community, in consultation with the California Department of Public Health and regional public health partners. **This** recommendation will remain in effect until further notice from the Health Officer.

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