



Chaffee County Public Health

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Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
Attention: Jill Hunsaker Ryan, Executive Director
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RE: Variance Request, Public Health Order

Dear Director Ryan,

Chaffee County government respectfully requests relief from some of the provisions in Executive Order 2020 17, CDPHE Order 20 22, CDPHE Order 20 24, CDPHE Order 20 26, and CDPHE Order “Safer at Home” 20 28 (the State Orders). Specifically, Chaffee County requests exemptions from the provisions of the State Orders that allow only certain businesses to be open to the public. Chaffee County requests the opening of the following businesses which are able to follow the distancing and specific requirements to their industry: Retail Food Establishments, Places of Worship, Fitness Centers, Recreation, Outfitters, Bowling Alley, and Hot Springs.

Relief from these restrictions will allow Chaffee County to tailor its future public health orders or guidelines to effectively meet the needs of its community, improve behavioral health of its citizens, and begin economic recovery for businesses and employees alike. This request is based on the below suppression plan.

Background

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization (“WHO”) declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 a “public health emergency of international concern.” On January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared the virus a public health emergency.

On March 10, 2020, the Governor of Colorado (the “Governor”) declared a state of Emergency related to the presence of COVID-19 in the State. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (“CDPHE”) has confirmed that COVID-19 continues to spread throughout the State of Colorado.

On March 11, 2020, WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic, pointing to the sustained risk of further global spread.

On March 13, 2020, Chaffee County (“County”) declared a Local Disaster Emergency related to COVID-19. Pursuant to Resolution 2020-29, the County ratified and extended this Local Disaster Emergency declaration at a meeting of the Chaffee County Board of County Commissioners (“BoCC”) on March 17, 2020. The BoCC further extended the disaster declaration on April 7, 2020.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States (the “President”) declared a National Emergency due to COVID-19.

On March 16, 2020 the President issued new guidelines to help protect Americans during the COVID-19 pandemic, which includes: avoiding discretionary travel, gathering limited to 10 or fewer people, use of drive through and pick up delivery options, and telecommuting for work and school.

Chaffee County Public Health (“CCPH”) anticipated that, due to the contagiousness of the illness and the fact that numerous travelers from around the world visit the county, Chaffee County would see cases of the virus and its transmission within the community. Developing social distancing policies prior to an extensive outbreak has been a proven means of helping to contain COVID-19 outbreaks.

On March 17, 2020, CCPH issued its first Public Health Order to limit COVID-19’s transmission with the community by limiting the size of events, closing restaurants, bars, theaters, gyms and closing short-term rentals, hotels and other similar facilities.

On March 19, 2020, CDPHE issued Public Order 20-23, which implemented additional social distancing measures, such as: limiting all mass gathering (including community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based events, sporting events with spectators, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, parades, fairs, festivals, and any similar event or activity) to no more than ten people. Public Order 20-23 made exemptions for governmental agencies, transportation stations, health care facilities, grocer/retail stores, pharmacies, government buildings and factories.

On March 19, 2020, CCPH issued its second Public Health Order to limit COVID-19’s transmission with the community by closing non-essential businesses, limiting the size of events, closing restaurants, bars, theaters, gyms and closing short-term rentals, hotels and other similar facilities.

On March 25, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-17, ordering Coloradans to stay at home due to the presence of COVID-19 in the State of Colorado, with certain directives and directed CDPHE to issue a public health order consistent with the directives of Executive Order 2020-17.

On March 25, 2020, CDPHE issued Public Order 20-24, which implemented stay at home requirements, including but not limited to ordering: people to Stay at Home whenever possible, limiting all public and private gatherings occurring outside regardless of the size, limiting travel, and closing all businesses except Critical Businesses.

On March 26, 2020, CCPH issued its third Public Health Order to limit COVID-19’s transmission implementing stay at home requirements, directing visitors to go home, limiting all public and private gathering occurring outside regardless of the size, limiting travel and closing all Non-Critical Businesses.

On April 6, 2020, The Governor Amended Executive Order 2020-17. The Amended Executive Order extended the requirements for Coloradans to stay at home to April 26, 2020, clarifying what activities Coloradans are allowed to engage in and emphasizing that local public health authorities have the authority to issue a more protective public health order than the Governor’s Executive Orders.

On April 26, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-044 which implemented a Safer at Home model which authorizes transitioning from a stay at home model and directed CDPHE to issue a public health order consistent with the directives of Executive Order 2020 044.

Effective April 27, 2020, CDPHE issued Public Order 20-28, which implemented a Safer at Home model. Safer at Home still requires that Vulnerable Individuals remain at home, but allows limited reopening of postsecondary institutions and certain businesses. Additionally, individuals are encouraged to stay at home as much as possible and practice Social Distancing to reduce the likelihood of disease transmission, but certain activities, such as gathering in groups of no more than ten for activities, are permitted. As we continue to combat COVID-19 in our communities, continuing restrictions on individual travel and necessary activities remain appropriate.

Duration

Chaffee County Public Health Order 2020-05 is currently in effect until midnight May 31, 2020, unless otherwise extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing. If granted a variance, the timeline would reflect a two week review period before moving onto other phases of the state and local order.

COVID-19 Suppression Plan

Prevalence of COVID-19 in Chaffee County

Chaffee County has had 68 total positive (including probable) cases of COVID-19, with only 1 positive case not associated with a long term care facility since April 11, 2020. The 4/11 positive case is under investigation, was most likely transmitted from the Denver area, and appears to be very low risk of spread. While testing continues to be offered widely throughout the county, we are not seeing a rise in those who may be affected, but rather, we are seeing a significant decrease in those who have symptoms aligned with COVID-19. To date, Chaffee County is aware of 17 total positive (including probable) cases of COVID-19 not related to our long-term care facility outbreak. There have been 51 cases (including probable) at Columbine Manor, our local long-term care facility. This number includes 44 residents and 7 staff (2 of which are from neighboring counties). 17 deaths have occurred in the county, 15 of which were residents of the facility. The 2 non-facility related deaths occurred at the beginning of the spread in our county. Columbine Manor reports that their outbreak has plateaued due to the strict measures they have taken, following local and state public health guidelines and requirements.

Hospital Capacity

Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center (HRRMC) has provided daily updates on its capacity from the beginning of this event. The 25 bed facility currently has no patients that have received a positive test for COVID-19. In fact, only several patients have been hospitalized throughout the entire event. At no time has the hospital expressed concern over current capacity, limited ventilators, or ability to treat their patients. While securing PPE for a possible surge is a real concern, HRRMC has been successful in securing PPE through multiple channels and has worked closely with Chaffee County Public Health (CCPH), Office of Emergency Management, and Emergency Medical Services to build a cache in the event that cases increase. Plans are in place to activate an Alternate Care Facility if there is a need to do so. HRRMC has held daily incident command meetings to address any needs and implement any plans in response to COVID-19. HRRMC attends weekly ESF8 meetings to provide situational awareness and to strategize on coordinated response efforts. In our small, rural county, the close relationships and long-standing history between the hospital, public health, and other healthcare providers is crucial to our ability to maintain crisis and non-crisis standards of care, and we take a coordinated and collaborative approach to ensure we are prepared for the future.

Local Containment Measures Proposed

CCPH, along with its healthcare partners, adopted community and targeted testing from early on in this event. Testing continues even though the requests for testing have decreased significantly. CCPH, in collaboration with HRRMC, is offering community testing weekly and can test 20 people an hour. However, there is not a high demand for testing in the county. For instance, on 5/7/20, there is a 2 hour community testing event that had only 11 slots filled by appointment. Community testing sites will continue as long as there are inquiries for testing.

CCPH has a LabOnline account that is monitored on a regular basis. CEDRS is checked throughout the day. HRRMC and other testing sites communicate any positive tests received right away to CCPH. CCPH immediately starts the investigation as long as it has been confirmed that the medical provider has informed the patient of the test result. We have been fortunate that most of our positive cases self-isolated themselves upon becoming symptomatic or followed the Stay at Home order closely. There have been very few contacts other than family members who have taken the quarantine instructions seriously. CCPH does issue isolation and quarantine letters to all positive cases and their contacts. Other than our long-term care facility outbreak, which has finally plateaued, 100% of those we have reconnected with state that they have recovered. In addition, CCPH has secured a Colorado School of Public Health student and a Vista Corp member to assist in the investigation and contact tracing of future positive cases. CCPH has also collected 22 volunteers from throughout the community who have expressed interest and who have the skillset to assist if needed, many of them current and retired nurse and public health professionals. Because immediate contact tracing is imperative to mitigate the spread of the virus, CCPH has launched a contact tracing protocol in which testing sites fill out a contact tracing form with the patient being tested to get the ball rolling on who they may have come into close contact with 48 hours before becoming symptomatic until current day. The form is sent to CCPH so that when a test is confirmed, there is accurate and timely information to work off of right away. CCPH follows up with positive cases to see how they are feeling, offers resources and support, and monitors adherence to the isolation requirements by calling or e-mailing them, depending on preference.

Regarding surveillance, CCPH will track multiple surveillance measures including laboratory testing percent positive and track changes in percent positivity on at least a weekly basis. CCPH will also implement surveillance thresholds based on percent positivity data that would trigger Chaffee County to revert to the state Safer at Home or a more conservative standard.

Since March 11, CCPH, along with its Board of County Commissioners, Municipalities of Salida, Buena Vista, and Poncha Springs, Office of Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services, Salida and Buena Vista School Districts, Economic Development Corporations, Visitors Bureau, Chambers of Commerce, Law Enforcement, Coroner, Department of Human Services, Solvista Health (community mental health center), and several other community stakeholders have held daily public roundtables to report out the latest information related to COVID-19 and to coordinate and collaborate on efforts to flatten the curve and recover from the virus and will continue to convene to ensure a practical and thoughtful balance between public and economic health as long as the data is in support.

Conditions and standards used to determine if the variance is providing protection equal to PHO 20-28

- Managing the spread of the virus (R_0 between 2 and 1)- 14 consecutive days of decreased COVID-19 cases. Last positive test of a non-long term care patient/staff was 4/11 before an isolated case on 5/5.
- Accessing world-class health care for every Coloradan that gets sick- HRRMC is at 100% capacity and an Alternate Care Facility (ACF) is activated. 25 bed capacity.
- Finding a more sustainable way to live
- Helping more Coloradans earn a living, while protecting health and safety
- Minimizing secondary health effects (mental and behavioral health impacts)

Group Gatherings

- Group gatherings shall contain no more than 10 people until state restriction is lifted (or unless this variance allows it).
- Participants shall remain at least 6 feet distance from each other when possible.
- No festivals or other organized large gatherings will be allowed until at least July 1st, at which time the situation will be evaluated to determine when and if festivals and other types of large gatherings can resume.
- Large venues shall remain closed.
- Private events that involve more than 10 people shall not be allowed at this time.

Best Practices for Chaffee County Residents

- Maintain physical distancing of 6 feet.
- Adults 65 and older and high-risk populations shall limit public interactions and stay at home as much as possible.
- Use cloth face coverings for interactions where physical distancing is not possible when entering public places.
- Stay home and not go to work or out in public if experiencing symptoms.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer frequently with at least 60% alcohol-based content.
- Clean and disinfect all non-porous, high-touch surfaces frequently.

Proposed Alternative Restrictions

The intent of these recommendations is to reduce transmission of COVID-19 among employees and customers; support healthy business operations; and maintain a healthy work environment.

Retail Food Establishments

Restaurants are encouraged to continue to do business through take-out, delivery and curbside pickup. If restaurants so choose, they can provide limited dine-in service. Restaurants must take the necessary time to ensure each of the following is adequately addressed before opening to the public.

- Limit number of customer seating capacity and/or make creative use of outdoor or indoor seating. CCPH will be assessing capacity every 2 weeks to determine impact on health.
- Encourage establishments to strategize ways to maximize outdoor seating while exercising social distancing with municipalities.
- Do not allow customers to wait in the lobby area or lines outside of the door. Implement a reservation system, notify customers via text/call when their table is ready.
- Provide handwashing stations or sanitizer for all customers.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind customers of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Require customers to wear cloth face coverings in order to enter the business and keep them in place until they have reached their table.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Stay at Home advisement. (e.g. seating assistance, special hours).
- Ask customers if they are experiencing any symptoms prior to seating them in the dining area, and do not allow them to enter if they are.
- Group parties shall be limited to 10.
- Bars are to remain closed, including those that are part of a restaurant, unless they can conform to distancing and above-mentioned requirements. Tasting rooms of breweries, wineries, and distilleries may open under the same restrictions as restaurants.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- In-room dining shall follow strict physical distancing practices. Tables shall be spaced at a distance that allows for customers to remain safe.
- Self-service stations shall remain closed (drinking stations, bulk dry, etc.)
- Don't allow public sharing of utensils or condiment containers.
- Buffets shall have an employee serving the food, no self-service is to be allowed.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Staff handling dirty dishes must wear gloves and an apron (voluntary).

- Staff must wash and/or sanitize their hands between each customer.
- Monitor employees for (one of) the following symptoms:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
 - Or two or more of the following symptoms:
 - Fever
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with Chills
 - Muscle Pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - New loss of taste or smell
- **Symptomatic employees MUST be excluded from the workplace**
- Employees and contracted workers shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth. Individuals who cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.
- Implement or maintain physical barriers for high-contact settings (e.g. Cashiers)
- Implement touchless payment methods where possible.
- Stagger shifts if feasible to decrease employee numbers at the business.
- Businesses reserve the right to accept/decline customers based on their comfort level with the above.

Places of Worship

Places of worship are encouraged to continue offering online, outdoor, or drive-up services as much as possible. For activities within a facility, places of worship shall be allowed to increase the number of participants, if they choose, as outlined in the following guidelines:

- Limit the number of guests to no more than 30% seating occupancy, provided that there's at least 6 feet of distance between individuals or between groups of a single household.
- Guests shall not be permitted to wait in the lobby area or in lines outside the door. No mingling time before, during or after services.
- Mask shall be required by all guests, when at all possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Stay at Home advisement. (e.g. online viewing, visits to their home). Discourage any such individual from traveling to and/or entering the facility.
- Do not allow anyone to attend any event/activity in person if they are experiencing symptoms of any illness.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- Place markings on the floor to maintain at least a six-foot distance where a line may form.
- Spread people out to maintain a six-foot distance between individuals/groups of a single household.
- Implement touchless offering and communion options as much as possible (e.g. do not pass around the offering plate, make available individual offerings that can be picked up by individuals to limit touching, pre-packaged and/or carryout).
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log (after each service).
- No self-service refreshments.
- Provide handwashing and/or sanitizer.
- Monitor employees and volunteers for one of the following symptoms:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing

Or two or more of the following symptoms:

Fever

Chills

Repeated shaking with Chills

Muscle Pain

Headache

Sore throat

New loss of taste or smell

Symptomatic employees MUST be excluded from the workplace

- Employees and volunteers shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth, individuals that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.

Fitness Centers

Gyms, health clubs, and other similar fitness facilities shall be able to open their facilities for limited use. Fitness facilities that choose to open under limited use must do so under the following guidelines:

- Limit the number of customers to 30% of fire/building capacity.
- Do not allow members to wait in lobby or in lines outside of the doors.
- Members must wear a face covering while using the facility, when physically possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Safer at Home advisement. (e.g. assistance with equipment cleaning, special hours).
- All members and staff must practice good hand hygiene, either hand washing or sanitizer.
- Members experiencing symptoms of any illness MUST exclude themselves from using the facility.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- Spread people out so that there is at least a 10-foot social distance between individuals throughout the facility.
- Sharing of equipment must be prohibited. Use of equipment in the fitness center must be limited to no closer than every other machine so that participants are not exercising right next to each other and smaller exercise rooms with poor ventilation should be discouraged from use.
- An employee must be required to disinfect equipment after every use.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Monitor employees for one of the following symptoms:
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathingOr two or more of the following symptoms:
 - Fever
 - Chills
 - Repeated shaking with Chills
 - Muscle Pain
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - New loss of taste or smell

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- Employees shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth and any person that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.
- Personal training is allowed while strictly adhering to social distancing guidelines and limited to 4 people, plus the instructor.

- Group classes are not allowed
- Sport courts are to remain closed
- Locker rooms must remain closed
- Saunas, pools (indoor and outdoor) and shared spaces (locker rooms, changing rooms, waiting areas, etc.) must remain closed
- On-site childcare facilities must remain closed

Recreation

Local recreational facilities can be open to the public under the following guidelines. Chaffee County or any municipality can enact stricter orders as seen fit.

- Group gatherings must be kept to 10 people or less.
- Park facilities conducive to gathering, including shelters, picnic areas, and playgrounds are to remain closed.
- Swim beaches, swimming pools and Splash pads are to remain closed.
- League or pick-up sports are prohibited at this time.
- Spaces that enable social distancing such as trails, green space, tennis courts and golf course may be open for use.
- Golfers must maintain physical distance of 6 feet at all times.
- Motorized golf carts shall contain no more than one person, although members of the same household may ride together in the same cart.
- Golfers shall avoid sharing clubs and golf balls.
- Golf carts and rented/borrowed equipment must be cleaned between uses.
- Physical distancing should be maintained in outdoor settings (6 feet while hiking, 15 feet while running or biking)
- Outdoor recreation facilities may remain open when adequate controls are able to be implemented to ensure 6-foot social distancing.
- Monitor employees and volunteers for one of the following symptoms:
Cough
Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
Or two or more of the following symptoms:
Fever
Chills
Repeated shaking with Chills
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Headache
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- Employees shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth, individuals that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Privately owned campgrounds and RV parks may be open for use if they can strictly adhere to social distancing guidelines. They can operate at a 50% capacity, leaving every other camp site open to allow for proper distancing. Groups must be limited to members of the same household. All shared facilities must remain closed with the exception of bathrooms which must be cleaned every 2 hours and have a maintained cleaning log. Camp grounds/RV parks shall also follow other recreation guidelines listed above, and a more detailed summary can be found below (as an example to the level of detail from the State of New Hampshire):

In addition to strict adherence to U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) guidance, and US Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Chaffee County recommends policies and procedures to protect consumers and employees, including:

Employee Protection:

1. Campground employers must implement employee education and training around safe practices as it relates to hygiene, sanitation and illness policies outlined in the Universal Guidelines.
2. Campground employees must be screened as outlined in the Universal Guidelines.
3. Campground staff must be issued, depending upon their function, latex/non-latex gloves, eye protection (goggles or face shields), and cloth face coverings or other appropriate protective equipment. Cashiers and customer services representatives must wear, at a minimum, a cloth face covering.
4. There must be a limit of one person per truck/ATV/UTV. Vehicles must be disinfected after use.

Consumer Protection:

1. Campgrounds may only be open to members or residents of Colorado at this time.
2. Facilities:
 - i. Tent sites and RVs may be made available.
 - ii. Cabins, yurts, trailers, lean-to's and tent platforms may be made available based on each campground owner's discretion and ability to clean and disinfect.
 - iii. All indoor public gathering areas must be closed.
 - iv. Outdoor public gathering areas must remain closed
 - v. Swimming pools must remain closed
 - vi. Playgrounds must remain closed.
 - vii. Laundry rooms must remain closed
 - viii. RVs with and using full hookups are permitted without restriction except through site number limitations.
3. Restrooms:
 - i. Restrooms must be frequently cleaned and disinfected, especially high-touch surfaces. Where feasible, restrooms may be converted to family style single use facilities where one campsite group may enter at a time.
 - ii. Restrooms must be supplemented by a limited number of portable toilets at or near the restroom; there must be one portable per 8-10 people
4. Dishwashing stations may be open but only under social distancing, signage and disinfection protocols.
5. All facilities must be cleaned and disinfected in a manner and frequency prescribed by the CDC. Campsites must be thoroughly cleaned after each party.
6. All ancillary campground activities are prohibited.
7. Campsite Availability:
 - i. The number of campsites must be limited based upon the capacity of above as family style single use facilities.
 - ii. Group campsites must remain closed. Campsites must be limited to 6-8 occupants depending upon campground and campsite configuration.
 - i. Camping must be limited to 50 percent of the campsites in a campground, or to every other site
 - ii. No visitors may be allowed at a campsite.

Business Process Adaptations:

1. All reservations must be made online or by telephone in advance. Walk in sites may not be made available. COVID-19 messaging must be provided at time of reservation: Persons taking reservations must advise that if anyone in a party is feeling sick or may have been exposed to the virus, they are to stay home.
2. Check in:
 - a. Administration offices must remain closed.
 - b. The individual checking in must be asked if anyone in his or her party is sick

or not feeling well based on the screening guidance outlined in the Universal Guidelines. If so, the campground must refuse service to the entire party and provide a refund in accordance with campground policies.

- i. When checking campers in, campgrounds must minimize contact as much as possible. If possible, perform the check-in outside by the camper's vehicle, have the campers pay in advance, pay by credit card, use gloves, and keep social distancing protocols.
- ii. When checking campers in, campgrounds must provide information to all campers on the need for social distancing, frequent hand hygiene/washing, cloth face covering use when in public places, and of limited activities and facilities.
- c. Check in may be conducted using one of the following options in the below order of preference:
 - i. Campers will self-check-in the via an on line application app at the campground; app will not allow check-in unless they are at the campground and have location services turned on. One router will be available for access outside the campground office to provide a WIFI connection.
 - ii. Curbside check in with credit card, sneeze guards, and staff wearing a face mask.
 - iii. Staff will drive through campground to verify that the campers are on site; staff will enter in the system at the office.

3. Retail stores at campgrounds must follow Chaffee County Safe Business Checklist.

4. Boat, bicycle and other equipment rentals may not be made available

Outfitters/Guided Activities

Local outfitters to include Rafting companies, Fly-fishing, and Zip lines may be open under strict adherence to the following criteria.

- Social distancing of 6 feet must be adhered to.
- Any and all equipment must be cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Group reservations should be kept to groups of the same household.
- No contact check-in and payment should be made available as much as possible.
- Do not allow customers to wait in lobby or in lines outside of the doors.
- Make digital waivers available if possible, to limit contact.
- Customers shall be required to wear face coverings, where possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Must keep occupancy of the building at or below 30% of the fire/building code as long as social distancing can be followed.
- Busses for raft trips must be limited to 30% of the passenger capacity.
- Jeep tours and zip line groups must be limited only to members of the same household.
- Rafting trips shall allow for trips of 4 or fewer individuals of a mixed group or single households (not including the raft guide).
- All equipment such as helmets, life jackets, and safety harnesses as well as any other shared equipment must be cleaned in a sanitizing solution after each use and allowed to air dry before reuse.
- Seats, handrails and other frequently touched surfaces must be cleaned between groups.
- Include additional check in times to reduce the number of guests arriving at one time.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every two hours and maintain a cleaning log.

- Monitor employees at the beginning of each shift for one of the following symptoms:
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Or two or more of the following symptoms:
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Chills
Repeated shaking with Chills
Muscle Pain
Headache
Sore throat
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Bowling Alley (there is only 1 bowling alley in the county)

- Limit the number of customers to 30% of fire/building capacity.
- Do not allow members to wait in lobby or in lines outside of the doors.
- Guests must wear a face covering while using the facility, when physically possible.
- Post signs at entrances regarding face coverings, and post signs throughout the facility as needed to remind guests of social distancing and proper hygiene.
- Make reasonable accommodations for vulnerable populations who are still under the Safer at Home advisement. (e.g. assistance with equipment cleaning, special hours).
- All guests and staff must practice good hand hygiene, either hand washing or sanitizer.
- Guests experiencing symptoms of any illness MUST exclude themselves from using the facility.
- Implement one-way entry/exit and directional walkways as much as possible.
- Spread people out so that there is at least a 10-foot social distance between individuals throughout the facility.
- Bowling balls and shoes will be sanitized each day before opening and after each use. Bowling balls should be limited use.
- An employee must be required to disinfect equipment after every use.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every 2 hours and maintain a cleaning log.
- Reservations must be made, sold in 2 hour blocks and pre-payment will be required. At the time the reservation is made, shoe sizes will be taken and shoes will be at the lane before they arrive. Guests will be told to arrive 5 minutes before their scheduled time and to leave as soon as their session is over.
- Staff will visit each lane for orders to reduce the need for customers to leave their lane area.
- Monitor employees for one of the following symptoms:
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- Employees shall be required to wear a non-medical cloth face covering over the nose and mouth and any person that cannot wear a mask shall not be permitted to work at this time.

Outdoor Hot Springs

- Before employees are allowed to return to work, each staff member will receive virtual or in-person training explaining the disinfection steps taken to ensure the resort is safe to return to.
- All employees will be required to wear a face covering and gloves at all times until further notice.
- All employees will be instructed on how to properly sanitize their face covering nightly to ensure no cross-contamination from a dirty mask.
- Employees will be directed to handwashing and sanitation stations in their specific department or area.
- Employees will be screened at the beginning and end of each shift and will be asked to stay home if symptomatic.
- Partnerships with top quality cleaning and disinfecting supplies, custom trainings, and continuing education will be maintained.
- Hours of operation will be reduced based on occupancy.
- Optimal water quality will be required to inactivate any viruses, including COVID-19. The swimming/soaking facilities will be cleaned daily beginning first thing in the morning. Water will continuously be monitored and the proper water balance will be maintained. All pools will be continuously monitored by state licensed water system operator.
- No more than 10 people shall soak in a pool at one time, preferably less.
- Deck seating will be spread 6 feet apart minimizing social interactions between parties.
- Directional markings around pools will allow guests to navigate walking space without crossing paths.
- All guests will be encouraged to come dressed for soaking, and locker rooms will remain closed.
- Multiple payment stations will be available at all swimming facilities thus reducing lines.
- Private pools will be available to rent for private soaking in 50 minute increments. No more than 10 people will be allowed to soak at one time. Reservations and prepayment will be required. Booking slots will start every hour. Available for guests (when allowed to open) and local residents only.
- Limited spa services will follow personal care requirements.

This proposal has the full support of HRRMC, CCPH, and the Chaffee County Board of County Commissioners.

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May 8, 2020

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
Attention: Jill Hunsaker Ryan, Executive Director
4300 Cherry Creek Drive
South Denver, Colorado 80246

RE: Variance Request, Public Health Order

Dear Director Ryan,

On behalf of the City Council of the City of Salida, please accept this letter of support for the Chaffee County Variance Request from the State of Colorado Public Health Order due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Salida concurs with the findings of the Chaffee County Variance Request and humbly requests that the Request be approved.

Sincerely,
P.T. Wood
P.T. Wood, Mayor
City of Salida, Colorado



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Dear Director Ryan:

The Town of Buena Vista is writing in support of the request submitted by Chaffee County Government for relief from some of the provisions in Executive Order 2020 17, CDPHE Order 20 22, CDPHE Order 20 24, CDPHE Order 20 26, and CDPHE Order "Safer at Home" 20 28 (the State Orders).

The Buena Vista Board of Trustees discussed the matter at a Special Meeting on May 7, 2020, and voted in favor of allowing the following businesses to reopen, provided they follow all distancing requirements and any other requirements specific to their industry: retail food establishments, places of worship, fitness centers, recreational facilities, outfitters, and the bowling alley. It is the Board's understanding that this variance will not include lodging (hotels, motels, short term rentals, etc.) and that the suppression plan prepared by Chaffee County Public Health will guide implementation of this reopening.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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Mayor, Town of Buena Vista

May 1, 2020

**PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY ORDER # 2020 – 05
CHAFFEE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-19**

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

*** THIS ORDER SHALL RESCIND AND REPLACE ALL PREVIOUS ORDERS ***

FINDINGS

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization (“WHO”) declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 a “public health emergency of international concern.” On January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared the virus a public health emergency.

On March 10, 2020, the Governor of Colorado (the “Governor”) declared a state of Emergency related to the presence of COVID-19 in the State. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (“CDPHE”) has confirmed that COVID-19 continues to spread throughout the State of Colorado.

On March 11, 2020, WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic, pointing to the sustained risk of further global spread.

On March 13, 2020, Chaffee County (“County”) declared a Local Disaster Emergency related to COVID-19. Pursuant to Resolution 2020-29, the County ratified and extended this Local Disaster Emergency declaration at a meeting of the Chaffee County Board of County Commissioners (“BoCC”) on March 17, 2020. The BoCC further extended the disaster declaration on April 7, 2020.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States (the “President”) declared a National Emergency due to COVID-19.

On March 16, 2020 the President issued new guidelines to help protect Americans during the COVID-19 pandemic, which includes: avoiding discretionary travel, gathering limited to 10 or less people, use of drive through and pick up delivery options, and telecommuting for work and school.

Chaffee County Public Health (“CCPH”) anticipated that, due to the contagiousness of the illness and the fact that numerous travelers from around the world visit the county, Chaffee County would see cases of the virus and its transmission within the community. Developing social distancing policies prior to an extensive outbreak has been a proven means of helping to contain COVID-19 outbreaks.

On March 17, 2020, CCPH issued its first Public Health Order to limit COVID-19’s transmission with the community by limiting the size of events, closing restaurants, bars, theaters, gyms and closing short-term rentals, hotels and other similar facilities.

On March 19, 2020, CDPHE issued Public Order 20-23, which implemented additional social distancing measures, such as: limiting all mass gathering (including community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based events, sporting events with spectators, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, parades, fairs, festivals, and any similar event or activity) to no more than ten people. Public Order 20-23 made exemptions for governmental agencies, transportation stations, health care facilities, grocer/retail stores, pharmacies, government buildings and factories.

On March 19, 2020, CCPH issued its second Public Health Order to limit COVID-19's transmission with the community by closing non-essential businesses, limiting the size of events, closing restaurants, bars, theaters, gyms and closing short-term rentals, hotels and other similar facilities.

On March 25, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-17, ordering Coloradans to stay at home due to the presence of COVID-19 in the State of Colorado, with certain directives and directed CDPHE to issue a public health order consistent with the directives of Executive Order 2020-17.

On March 25, 2020, CDPHE issued Public Order 20-24, which implemented stay at home requirements, including but not limited to ordering: people to Stay at Home whenever possible, limiting all public and private gatherings occurring outside regardless of the size, limiting travel, and closing all businesses except **Critical Businesses**.

On March 26, 2020, CCPH issued its third Public Health Order to limit COVID-19's transmission implementing stay at home requirements, directing visitors to go home, limiting all public and private gathering occurring outside regardless of the size, limiting travel and closing all **Non-Critical Businesses**.

On April 6, 2020, The Governor Amended Executive Order 2020-17. The Amended Executive Order extended the requirements for Coloradans to stay at home to April 26, 2020, clarifying what activities Coloradans are allowed to engage in and emphasizing that local public health authorities have the authority to issue a more protective public health order than the Governor's Executive Orders.

On April 26, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-044 which implemented a Safer at Home model which authorizes transitioning from a stay at home model and directed CDPHE to issue a public health order consistent with the directives of Executive Order 2020 044.

Effective April 27, 2020, CDPHE issued Public Order 20-28, which implemented a Safer at Home model. Safer at Home still requires that **Vulnerable Individuals** remain at home, but allows limited reopening of postsecondary institutions and certain businesses. Additionally, individuals are encouraged to stay at home as much as possible and practice Social Distancing to reduce the likelihood of disease transmission, but certain activities, such as gathering in groups of no more than ten for activities, are permitted. As we continue to combat COVID-19 in our communities, continuing restrictions on individual travel and necessary activities remain appropriate.

As of April 30, 2020, Chaffee County has 67 confirmed positive tests and 17 deaths associated with COVID-19.

The virus that causes COVID-19 is spread primarily by close contact between people and through respiratory droplets when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It can also be spread through contact with contaminated surfaces. Public health experts recommend we practice social distancing, or maintaining a physical distance of six (6) feet or more from other people, as a way to slow the spread of COVID-19. Multiple sources of data show that COVID-19 transmission and the use of healthcare due to COVID-19 have leveled off in Chaffee County. Our work to "flatten the curve" appears to be succeeding, however, transmission of the virus continues to threaten Chaffee County citizens' way of life and livelihoods.

CCPH recommends that without taking appropriate steps, the number of cases within Chaffee County will once again rise which may result in serious illness or death for certain members of the community, and will have the effect of further interrupting the functioning of the community, will overwhelm the capacity of the local health care system and the ability to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, a large surge in the number of persons with COVID-19 can compromise

the ability of the healthcare system particularly in the high-country counties currently affected by community transmission to deliver necessary healthcare to the public.

There is clear evidence that some individuals who contract the COVID-19 virus have no symptoms or have mild symptoms, which means they may not be aware they carry the virus. Because even people without symptoms can transmit the disease, and because evidence shows the disease is easily spread, gatherings promote transmission of COVID-19. COVID-19 also physically contributes to property loss, contamination, and damage due to its propensity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time.

Non-residents, visitors and non-resident homeowners from lower altitudes, regardless of whether they are residents of Colorado, another state, or a foreign country, are at a greater risk for complications from COVID-19 infection than residents, who are acclimatized to the high-altitude environment of Chaffee County. Non-residents, regardless of whether they own a residence in Chaffee County, and regardless of whether they reside in Colorado, another state, or another country, continue to impose potentially excessive burdens on local health care, public services, first responders, food supplies and other essential services. Such persons continue to potentially create issues with regard to enforcement of Chaffee County's public health orders.

Notwithstanding these findings, relaxation of at least some of the restrictions in the current orders can be and is consistent with protecting the public health. The scientific evidence also shows that at this stage of the emergency, it is critical to carefully re-open the County in phases to protect the most vulnerable and to prevent Colorado's health care system from being overwhelmed but to also allow a gradual return to normal activities. One proven way to slow the transmission is to limit interactions among people to the greatest extent practicable and increase the distance between people in the work environment. This Order helps to re-open the County's economy while reducing the property damage caused by COVID-19 and preserving the welfare of our residents by reducing the spread of the disease in our communities and our workplaces, and preserving critical emergency and healthcare capacity in the State.

The limitations on people's activities, business activities, large gatherings and use of social distancing decreases the risk of COVID-19 transmission to our most vulnerable populations and is especially important for people who are over 65 years old and those with chronic health conditions due to their higher risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19. This Order will reduce the likelihood that many individuals will be exposed to COVID-19 at a single event and will therefore slow the spread of COVID-19 in our communities. While this is a first step toward resuming our daily lives, CCPH is monitoring the spread of COVID-19 and the Public Health Director reserves the right to tighten restrictions in future orders should protection of the public health and welfare necessitate such measures.

This Order is adopted pursuant to the legal authority set forth in sections 25-1-506 and 25-1-508, Colorado Revised Statutes. Under these laws, the Chaffee County Public Health Director has the duty to investigate and control the causes of epidemic or communicable diseases and conditions affecting public health and to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation and quarantine, and in pursuance thereof, and for this purpose only, to exercise physical control over property and over the persons of the people within the jurisdiction of the agency as the agency may find necessary for the protection of the public health.

This Order adopts the requirements of CDPHE's Public Health Order 20-28 implementing a Safer at Home model (although this Order is more protective of public health and welfare in certain areas). Nothing in the Governor's Executive Orders or CDPHE Public Health Orders prevent a local public authority from issuing an Order more protective of public health. Any restrictions in this Order that are more protective of the public health and welfare will prevail over any state Executive or CDPHE order that are less protective of the public health and welfare.

This Order shall apply to all unincorporated areas of Chaffee County, Colorado and all incorporated (municipal) areas that do not have their own public health agency: City of Salida, Town of Poncha Springs and Town of Buena Vista. This Order applies equally to persons within the boundaries of Chaffee County, Colorado, regardless of their city, state or country of origin.

The provisions of this Order are necessary and are the least restrictive means available to continue to adequately protect the public health. If any provision of this Order 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.

INTENT

This Order sets forth the requirements for implementation of Safer at Home, as directed by Governor Polis and to direct and support Chaffee County's COVID-19 response efforts. Individual restrictions remain in place concerning limitations on activities, travel, and public gatherings. Workplace restrictions remain necessary to implement standard **Social Distancing Requirements**, cleaning standards, and other items necessary to reduce the possibility of disease spread and overwhelming the health care system. Additionally, certain businesses and activities require specific guidance based on their business practices, and those are included in the Appendixes to this Order. Businesses are encouraged to follow the CDPHE guidance by business sector located at www.covid19.colorado.gov/safer-at-home. If there are any discrepancies between this Order and CDPHE guidances, this Order shall govern.

ORDER

1. SAFER AT HOME

- a. All individuals currently living within Chaffee County are encouraged to stay at home and avoid unnecessary interactions whenever possible in order to reduce the spread of disease. Individuals living in shared or outdoor spaces must at all times, to the greatest extent possible, comply with **Social Distancing Requirements**, and are encouraged to leave their residences only to perform or utilize **Necessary Activities or Necessary Travel**. Individuals are strongly encouraged to limit shopping for groceries to one time a week.
 - i. Visitors and homeowners whose principal residence is outside Chaffee County are directed to return home immediately because the County has limited health and safety resources to meet local COVID-19 demands.
 - ii. Homeowners whose principal residence is outside Chaffee County may return to Chaffee County beginning May 16, 2020 (Phase 2) provided they follow self-quarantine (staying home and away from others) for at least 14 days prior to being in public or until they have a negative test result or if the individuals' experiences symptoms, they must follow the requirements of 1d.
- b. All individuals in Chaffee County are required to wear face coverings that cover the nose and mouth whenever one of the following conditions are met: (i) there's a possibility of public interaction; or (ii) when in someone else's home, business or organization; or (iii) when coming into contact with high-touch surfaces in public. Face coverings are not required for individuals when wearing it would inhibit that individual's health. Small children who are not able to maintain a face covering are exempt from this requirement. When in public, individuals should have a face covering handy and be prepared to properly use it when in contact with others.
- c. All public and private gatherings or events occurring inside or outside a residence are limited to no more than ten individuals, except for the limited purposes expressly

permitted in this Order, which include **Necessary Activities**. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members living in the same residence.

- d. People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and people who are sick are urged to stay in their residence at all times except as necessary to seek medical care. **Vulnerable Individuals** and people who are sick with COVID-19 cannot be compelled to work for any business or government function, including a **Critical Business** or **Critical Government Function**, during the pendency of this pandemic emergency.
- e. Individuals experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 must self-isolate until their symptoms cease or until they have a negative test result. If an individual has tested positive for COVID-19 and/or has developed symptoms of COVID-19, including early or mild symptoms (such as cough and shortness of breath), they should be in isolation (staying away from others) until they have had no fever for at least seventy-two (72) hours (that is three full days of no fever without the use of medicine that reduces fevers), other symptoms have improved (such as cough or shortness of breath) and at least seven (7) days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- f. People are encouraged not to travel outside of the County except for **Necessary Travel**. Individuals who have engaged in out of county **Non-Necessary Travel**, are encouraged to voluntarily self-quarantine (staying home and away from others) for at least 14 days or until they have a negative test result or if the individuals' experiences COVID-19 symptoms, they should follow the requirements of 1.e.
- g. People experiencing homelessness are strongly urged to obtain shelter and entities are strongly urged to make shelter available as soon as possible and to the maximum extent practicable. People experiencing homelessness must comply with **Social Distancing Requirements**, at all times.
- h. All travel, including, but not limited to, travel by automobile or public transit or pedestrian or self-propelled travel, such as bicycling, except **Necessary Travel** is prohibited. People must use public transit only for purposes of performing **Necessary Activities** or **Necessary Travel**. People riding on public transit must comply with **Social Distancing Requirements**, to the greatest extent feasible.
- i. Individuals may participate in local and personal recreation in outside public spaces, as an authorized **Necessary Activity**, in groups no larger than 10 and practicing social distancing maintaining 6 feet between participants. Travel for recreational purposes should be limited to Chaffee County. Playgrounds and playground equipment remain closed. Personal training and classes in any setting are limited to all members of a single household or a mixed group of 4 or fewer individuals complying with **Social Distancing Requirements**; except for members of a single household, sharing equipment is prohibited.

2. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

- a. The following places of public accommodation remain closed to ingress, egress, use, and occupancy by members of the public:
 - i. Restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, and other similar places of public accommodation offering food or beverage for on-premises consumption (such businesses should be prepared to open May 16 (Phase 2), but such opening will be allowed **only** if there is state approval and guidance and such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i, below, and applicable state

- guidance and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below) (curbside and delivery service can continue as discussed below);
- ii. Bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distillery pubs, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, and other places of public accommodation offering alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption (such businesses should be prepared to open May 16 (Phase 2), but such opening will be allowed **only** if there is state approval and guidance and such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i, below, and applicable state guidance and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below);
 - iii. Gyms and fitness facilities, except for the limited purpose authorized in Section 1.i (such businesses should be prepared to open May 16 (Phase 2), but such opening will be allowed **only** if there is state approval and guidance and such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i, below, and applicable state guidance and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below);
 - iv. Movie and performance theaters, opera houses, concert halls, and music halls; Drive-in theaters may open on May 1 for Chaffee County residents use only, providing they comply with **Social Distancing Requirements** and such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i below, and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a below; concession stands must meet the requirements for restaurants, described below. Customers must remain in their cars except for purchasing from concession stand or to use the restroom.
 - v. All short-term lodging, including but not limited to hotels, motels, short-term rental (30 days or less), bed and breakfasts establishments, lodges, retreats, campgrounds/recreational vehicle park and recreational camping prohibited pursuant to CCPH Order 2020-04; there shall be no booking or reservation for the month of May and current reservations for this timeframe shall be canceled (such businesses should be prepared to open June 1 (Phase 3), but such opening will be allowed **only** if there is state approval and guidance (with respect to short-term rentals), such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i, below and applicable state guidance, have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below, and all short-term rentals (such as VRBOs) must be in compliance with all land use code licensing requirements before a **Certificate of Safety** is issued);
 - vi. All guiding and outfitting related businesses; there shall be no booking or reservation for the month of May and current reservations for the timeframe shall be canceled (such businesses should be prepared to open June 1 (Phase 3) but such opening will be allowed **only** if there is state approval and guidance for such businesses, such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i, below, and applicable state guidance, and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below);
 - vii. All guiding and outfitting related businesses may open May 1, for Chaffee County residents use only, provided that the services are limited to members of a single household or a mixed group of 4 or fewer individuals (not including a guide) complying with **Social Distancing Requirements** and such businesses

meet the requirements of Section 2.i below, and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a below; and

- viii. Ski lifts and gondolas, combative sports, playgrounds, spas and hot springs.

These restrictions do not apply to any of the following:

- i. Room service in hotels that are **Critical Businesses**;
 - ii. Health care facilities, residential care facilities, congregate care facilities, and juvenile justice facilities;
 - iii. Crisis shelters or similar institutions;
 - iv. Airport concessionaires;
 - v. Institutions of higher education offering dining hall services located in or adjacent to campus dormitories that are accessed through student, staff, faculty, or campus associated identification, as well as grab and go food services within these institutions, while exercising social distancing measures of at least six feet between individuals;
 - vi. Fitness centers and nonessential personal services included in residential facilities, such as hotels, apartment or condominium complexes or similar housing arrangements, that are limited to use only by hotel guests or residents of the housing who are following social distancing requirements of at least 6 feet between individuals, and the hotel or property managers are performing frequent environmental cleaning;
 - vii. Libraries may continue to offer services using delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, drive-up service, or curbside delivery if **Distancing Requirements** are followed and such businesses meet the requirements of Section 2.i below and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a below; and
 - viii. Any emergency facilities necessary for the response to these events.
- b. All **Critical Businesses** and **Critical Government Functions**, as defined in Section 3 below, may continue to operate. **Critical Businesses** and **Critical Government Functions** must comply with the applicable guidance attached in the Appendixes to this Order and must receive a **Certificate of Safety** (described in 3.a below) by May 15, 2020 (Phase 2) in order to continue operations. **Critical Businesses** must comply with **Social Distancing Requirements** at all times, adopt work from home or tele-work policies for any operations that can be done remotely, and implement other strategies, such as staggered schedules or re-designing workplaces, to create more distance between workers unless doing so would make it impossible to carry out critical functions. **Critical Businesses** that serve the public such as grocery stores and other **Critical Retail** shall comply with **Social Distancing Requirements** at all times including, but not limited to, when any customers are standing in line. **Critical Business** and **Critical Government Functions** shall continue to promote telecommuting to the greatest extent possible, at least until June 1, 2020 (through Phase 2). Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order D 2020 039, workers in **Critical Business** and **Critical Government Functions** who interact in close proximity with other employees or with the public must:

- i. Wear medical or non-medical cloth face coverings that cover the nose and mouth while working, except where doing so would inhibit that individual's health; and
 - ii. To the extent possible, wear gloves when in contact with customers or goods.
- c. All restaurants and bars permitted by CCPH Order 2020-04 to offer food and beverage using delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, drive-up service, or curbside delivery places may continue to offer food and beverage in such manner, in accordance with mandatory **Social Distancing Requirements**, except as prohibited or limited by this Order. These entities include restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, and other similar places of public accommodation offering food or beverage for on-premises consumption; and bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distillery pubs, wineries, tasting rooms, special licensees, clubs, and other places of public accommodation offering alcoholic beverages.
- d. All **Non-Critical Retail**, as defined in Section 3 below, may operate and offer goods through delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, drive-up service, curbside delivery, or any other manner allowing for strict compliance with mandatory **Social Distancing Requirements**, similar to the requirements for **Critical Retail**. Additional requirements for **Critical** and **Non-Critical Retail** are contained in Section 2.i below and **Appendix A** of this Order. Effective May 1, 2020, **Non-Critical Retail** may resume in-person services if they meet the requirements in Section 2.i below and the additional requirements outlined for these services in **Appendix A** and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below.
- e. All **Field Services**, including real estate, may resume operations, if they meet the requirements in Section 2.i below and the additional requirements outlined **Appendix B** and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below. Real estate includes in-person real estate showings and marketing services which must adhere to Social Distancing Requirements with cleaning and disinfection between each showing, but may not hold open houses.
- f. Other health care services in certain limited healthcare settings, not covered by CDPHE Order 20-28 (governing Voluntary or Elective Surgeries or Procedures), may resume if they meet the requirements in Section 2.i below and the additional requirements of **Appendix E** and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below. Voluntary or elective surgeries or procedures must comply with CDPHE Order 20-29.
- g. Limited **Personal Services** may resume in-person services if they meet the requirements in Section 2.i below and the additional requirements outlined for these services in **Appendix D** and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below.
- h. Effective May 4, 2020, **Non-Critical Office-Based Businesses** operating in an office and not a production environment, as defined in Section III below, may allow up to 50% of their employees to conduct in-person work that takes place outside a private residence in accordance with the requirements in Section 2.i below and the additional requirements outlined in **Appendix C** and have received a **Certificate of Safety**, as described in 3.a, below.
- i. All businesses and government functions, including **Critical Businesses, Critical Government Functions, Non-Critical Office-Based Businesses, Personal**

Services, Limited Healthcare Settings, and Non-Critical Retail shall all follow the protocols below:

- i. Employers and sole proprietors shall take all of the following measures within the workplace to minimize disease transmission, in accord with the CDPHE Guidance:
 1. Appoint a workplace coordinator(s) charged with addressing COVID-19 issues;
 2. maintain 6-foot separation between employees and discourage shared spaces;
 3. clean and disinfect all high touch areas;
 4. post signage for employees and customers on good hygiene;
 5. ensure proper ventilation;
 6. avoid gatherings (meetings, waiting rooms, etc.) of more than 10 people;
 7. implement symptom monitoring protocols (including workplace temperature monitoring), conduct daily temperature checks and monitor symptoms in employees. A sample form can be found at: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1uKwFlhc7wWa3OvnPw0zXWv49na_KG_HdC/view.

If an employee reports any symptoms, refer symptomatic employees to the CDPHE Symptom Tracker and take all of the following steps:

 - a. send employee home immediately;
 - b. increase cleaning in your facility and require social distancing of staff at least 6 feet apart from one another;
 - c. exclude employee until they are fever-free, without medication, for 72 hours and 7 days have passed since their first symptom; and
 - d. if multiple employees have these symptoms, contact CCPH; and
 8. eliminate or regularly clean and disinfect any items in common spaces, such as break rooms, that are shared between individuals, such as condiments, coffee makers, vending machines.
- ii. Employers shall take all of the following measures regarding employees to minimize disease transmission:
 1. require employees to stay home when showing any symptoms or signs of sickness, and connect employees to company or state benefits providers;
 2. provide work accommodations for **Vulnerable Individuals**, who remain subject to **Stay at Home** advisement, prioritizing telecommuting, as **Vulnerable Individuals** shall not be compelled to go to work during the pendency of this pandemic emergency;

3. provide to the greatest extent possible flexible or remote scheduling for employees who may have child or elder care obligations, or who live with a person who still needs to observe **Stay at Home** due to underlying condition, age, or another factor;
 4. encourage and enable remote work whenever possible;
 5. encourage breaks to wash hands or use hand sanitizer;
 6. phase shift and breaks to reduce density; and
 7. provide appropriate protective gear like gloves, masks, and face coverings that cover the mouth and nose.
- iii. Employers and sole proprietors shall implement the following measures regarding customers to minimize disease transmission:
1. create whenever possible special hours for **Vulnerable Individuals** only;
 2. encourage **Social Distancing Requirements** inside of the business for all patrons;
 3. encourage customer use of gloves and require customers wear medical or non-medical cloth face coverings that cover the nose and mouth, except where doing so would inhibit that individual's health face coverings;
 4. provide hand sanitizer at the entrances to the greatest extent possible; and
 5. use contactless payment solutions, no touch trash cans, etc. whenever possible.
- iv. Employers with over 50 employees in any one location shall, in addition to the above requirements, implement the following protocols:
1. implement stations for symptom screening and temperature checks, and follow the requirements in Section 2.i.i.7 above;
 2. close common areas to disallow gatherings of employees;
 3. implement mandatory cleaning and disinfection protocols; and
 4. require mandatory adherence to **Social Distancing Requirements**.
- j. Employers must provide reasonable work accommodations for **Vulnerable Individuals** who are still under the **Stay at Home** advisement, such as telecommuting. Employers are encouraged to provide reasonable work accommodations for individuals who reside with or are caring for **Vulnerable Individuals**, or facing child care needs while schools remain closed.
- k. Additional requirements for specific industries are included in the following Appendices to this Order:
- i. Appendix A: Critical and Non-Critical Retail Requirements
 - ii. Appendix B: Field Services

- iii. Appendix C: Non-Critical Office-Based Businesses and Offices
 - iv. Appendix D: Personal Services
 - v. Appendix E: Limited Healthcare Settings
- a. All businesses required to close down their in-person work under this Order may continue to carry out **Minimum Basic Operations**.
 - b. Child care facilities providing services exempted in this Order must, to the extent possible, operate in accordance with state guidelines. To the extent possible, child care shall be performed in compliance with **Social Distancing Requirements**.

3. DEFINITIONS

- a. **Certificate of Safety.** A certificate issued by CCPH authorizing the business to engage in operations.
- b. **Critical Business.** Any business, including any for profit or non-profit, regardless of its corporate structure, engaged in any of the commercial, manufacturing, or service activities listed in **Appendix F**, must continue to comply with the guidance and directives for maintaining a clean and safe work environment issued by the CDPHE and CCPH.
- c. **Critical Government Functions.** The provision, operation and support of the following government functions shall continue:
 - i. Public safety (police stations, fire and rescue stations, correctional institutions, emergency vehicle and equipment storage, and, emergency operation centers);
 - ii. Emergency response;
 - iii. Judicial branch operations, including attorneys if necessary for ongoing trials and required court appearances, unless appearances can be done remotely;
 - iv. Legislative and executive branch functions;
 - v. Emergency medical (hospitals, ambulance service centers, urgent care centers having emergency treatment functions, and non-ambulatory surgical structures but excluding clinics, doctors' offices, and non-urgent care medical structures that do not provide these functions);
 - vi. Designated emergency shelters;
 - vii. Communications (main hubs for telephone, broadcasting equipment for cable systems, satellite dish systems, cellular systems, television, radio, and other emergency warning systems, but excluding towers, poles, lines, cables, and conduits);
 - viii. Public utility plant facilities for generation and distribution (drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, hubs, treatment plants, substations and pumping stations for water, power and gas, but not including towers, poles, power lines, and oil and gas buried pipelines);
 - ix. Transportation. All public and private airports, airlines, taxis, transportation network providers (such as Uber and Lyft), vehicle rental services, paratransit, and other private, public, and commercial transportation and logistics providers necessary for **Necessary Activities**;

- x. Transportation infrastructure (aviation control towers, air traffic control centers, and emergency equipment aircraft hangars), critical road construction and maintenance;
 - xi. Hazardous material safety;
 - xii. Services to at-risk populations and **Vulnerable Individuals**;
 - xiii. Activities related to federal, state, and local elections, including any required acts of a political party, provided **Social Distancing Requirements** are observed to the greatest extent possible;
 - xiv. Any government service required for the public health and safety, government functionality, or vital to restoring normal services.
- d. **Field Services** means a service that is being provided out in the field as opposed to a company property, including third party private properties, such as a third-party household.
- e. **Gym** means a building or room used for indoor sports or exercise, such as fitness, dance, exercise or group classes, exercise studios and centers, recreation centers, bowling alleys, pools, and other indoor athletic facilities.
- f. **Minimum Basic Operations**. The minimum necessary activities to (1) maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions; or (2) facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences or continue filling online product orders and to process customer order remotely are allowable pursuant to this Order.
- g. **Non-Critical Office-Based Business** means any commercial business that is conducted in an office and not a production environment and is not included in the list of **Critical Businesses** in **Appendix F**.
- h. **Non-Critical Retail** means any retail service that is not included in the list of critical retail services in **Appendix F**. Examples of **Non-Critical Retail** include retailers of clothing, home goods, cell phone stores, mattresses, appliances, thrift shops, apothecaries, vape and tobacco shops, craft, hobby and fabric stores, fishing tackle retailers, sporting goods, boutiques, etc.
- i. **Limited Healthcare Settings** means those locations where certain healthcare services are provided, including acupuncture (not related to personal services), athletic training (not related to personal services), audiology services, services by hearing aid providers, chiropractic care, massage therapy (not related to personal services), naturopathic care, occupational therapy services, optometry services, podiatry services, physical therapy, and speech language pathology services.
- j. **Necessary Activities**. For purposes of this Order, individuals are encouraged to only leave their residence only to perform any of the following **Necessary Activities**, provided they comply at all times and to the greatest extent possible with **Social Distancing Requirements** below. People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and people who are sick with COVID-19, however, must not leave their residence except as necessary to receive medical care, and must not go to work, even for a **Critical Business**. **Necessary Activities** include:
- i. Engaging in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members, including, but not limited to, pets and livestock, such as, by way of example only and

without limitation, obtaining medical supplies, walking your dog, feeding barnyard animals, obtaining durable medical equipment, obtaining medication, visiting a healthcare professional, or obtaining supplies they need to work from home.

- ii. Obtaining 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, food, pet supply, other household consumer products, and products or equipment necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of a residence.
- iii. Chaffee County residents who are engaging in outdoor activity, such as, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, biking or running. For purposes of outdoor activity, parks will remain open to the public to engage in walking, hiking, biking, running, and similar outdoor activities but all playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis courts, basketball courts and other similar areas conducive to public gathering, and attended areas shall be closed. Additionally, the permitted outdoor activities in this Order do not include any activities that would violate the **Social Distancing Requirements**. As an example, golf, disc golf, basketball and other sports that can be played individually are allowed if no equipment is shared and it does not violate **Social Distancing Requirements**. However, the use of any shared equipment or facilities, such as golf carts or clubhouses, and league or tournament play is prohibited. Recreational facilities and outdoor activities are deemed **Necessary Activities** only for Chaffee County residents.
- iv. Performing work providing for businesses, government entities, and industries authorized to carry out activities permitted in this Order.
- v. Caring for a family member, a **Vulnerable Individual**, or pet in another household, or to care for livestock kept at a location other than an individual's residence.
- k. **Necessary Travel**. For purposes of this Order, travel is Necessary for any of the following purposes: (1) providing or accessing **Necessary Activities** for businesses or industries authorized to operate in Section II of this Order or providing or accessing **Minimum Basic Operations**; (2) receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services from educational institutions; (3) returning to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (4) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (5) travel to transport children between separate households pursuant to a parenting plan or other agreement governing parental responsibilities; (6) non-residents returning to their place of residence; (7) moving to a new residence, including individuals whose residence is unsafe due to domestic violence concerns.
- l. **Personal Services** means services and products that are not necessary to maintain an individual's health or safety, or the sanitation or essential operation of a business or residence. **Personal Services** include, but are not limited to, pastoral services except as specified in **Appendix D**, personal training, dog grooming, or body art and also applies to noncritical professionals regulated by the Division of Professions and Occupations, within the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) including but not limited to services provided by personal beauty professionals such as hairstylists, barbers, cosmetologists, estheticians, nail technicians, as well as massage therapists, whose work requires these professionals to be less than six feet from the person for

whom the services are being provided. Massage therapy services ordered by a healthcare professional should consult **Executive Order D 2020 027**.

- m. **Safer at Home** means individuals stay in your place of residence as much as possible, and avoid unnecessary social interactions.
 - n. **Social Distancing Requirements**. To reduce the risk of disease transmission, individuals shall maintain at least a six-foot distance from other individuals, wash hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or use hand sanitizer, cover coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly clean high-touch surfaces, and not shake hands.
 - o. **Stay at Home** means to stay in your place of residence, which includes use of hotels, motels, and shared rental facilities that are permitted and consistent with this Order, and not leave unless necessary to provide, support, perform, or operate **Necessary Activities, Minimum Basic Operations, Critical Government Functions, and Critical Businesses**.
 - p. **Vulnerable Individual** means:
 - i. Individuals who are 65 years and older;
 - ii. Individuals with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma;
 - iii. Individuals who have serious heart conditions;
 - iv. Individuals who are immunocompromised;
 - v. Pregnant women; and
 - vi. Individuals determined to be high risk by a licensed healthcare provider.
4. Chaffee County is tasked with protecting the health and welfare of the citizens of Chaffee County, Colorado by investigating and controlling the causes of epidemic and communicable disease. This Order is necessary to control any potential transmission of disease to others. See section 25-1-508, Colorado Revised Statutes. Immediate issuance of this Order is necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, or welfare.
5. Any person aggrieved and affected by this Order has the right to request judicial review by filing an action with the Chaffee County District Court within 90 days of the date of this Order, pursuant to section 25-1-515, Colorado Revised Statutes. However, you must continue to obey the terms of this Order while your request for review is pending.
6. If any provision of this Order to the application thereof 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.
7. This Order is in effect and will continue to be in effect until midnight Mountain time May 31, 2020, unless extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing.
8. **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES CONTAINED IN SECTIONS 25-1-516 AND 18-1.3-501, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, INCLUDING A FINE OF UP TO FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) DOLLARS AND IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL FOR UP TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS.**

Andrea Carlstrom
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4.30.20
Date

STATE OF COLORADO, CHAFFEE COUNTY
ATTEST:

Jon Mitchell
Chaffee County Clerk



APPENDIX A: CRITICAL AND NON-CRITICAL RETAIL REQUIREMENTS
CCPH Order 2020-05

I. **Curbside Service.** In addition to meeting the requirements of this Order, and specifically Section 2.i, **Non-Critical Retail** may operate and offer goods through delivery service, window service, walk-up service, drive-through service, drive-up service, curbside delivery, or any other manner allowing for strict compliance with mandatory **Social Distancing Requirements**, except as prohibited or limited by this Order. Restricting interactions to curbside pick-up or delivery minimizes touch. **Non-Critical Retailers** are encouraged to continue curbside pick-up or delivery for longer term service wherever possible. **Critical and Non-Critical Retailers** must implement the requirements in Section 2.i, in addition to the specific requirements in this Appendix.

A. **Critical and Non-Critical Retail** must implement the following measures within the workplace to minimize disease transmission:

1. Elevate and increase frequency of cleaning practices, including cleaning and disinfection of high touch areas.
2. Restrict return policy to only items that can be properly sanitized prior to re-selling.
3. Conduct daily temperature checks and monitor symptoms in employees, logging all results. Refer symptomatic employees to the CDPHE Symptom Tracker.
4. Post signage for employees and customers on good hygiene and other sanitation practices.

B. **Critical and Non-Critical Retail** must implement the following measures regarding employees to minimize disease transmission:

1. Provide guidance and encouragement on maintaining 6-foot distancing between both employers and employees and customers.
2. Provide appropriate face coverings that cover the mouth and nose and gloves to all employees, and also allow employees who can to provide their own appropriate face coverings and gloves for work activities. Employees without face coverings shall not perform tasks that require engagement with the public or with other coworkers or come into contact with high-touch surfaces. In order to ensure staff can take off their face coverings for meals and breaks, scheduling and location for meals and breaks should ensure that at least a 6-foot distance can be maintained between staff when staff needs to remove their face covering.
3. Encourage frequent breaks to allow employees to wash or sanitize their hands.
4. Require employees to stay home when showing any symptoms or signs of sickness.
5. Provide personal protective equipment (PPE) for employees who are managing deliveries, returns, etc.

C. Employers must implement the following measures regarding customers to minimize disease transmission:

1. Require 6-foot distancing measures wherever possible, such as marked space in pickup lines.

II. **In-Person Service. Non-Critical Retail** may open at fifty percent (50%) capacity for in-person services if the business can demonstrate compliance with all of the following requirements:

A. **Critical and Non-Critical Retail** must continue implementing the measures within the workplace listed in Section I.A of this **Appendix A**, and in addition:

1. maintain 6-foot distancing between patrons and employees;
2. effectively symptom monitor employees as listed in Section I.A.3;
3. require and provide face coverings that cover the mouth and nose and, if feasible, gloves; in order to ensure staff can take off their face coverings for meals and breaks, scheduling and location for meals and breaks should ensure that at least a 6-foot distance can be maintained between staff when staff needs to remove their face covering.
4. ensure ability to adequately clean and disinfect both back-room and retail spaces; and
5. provide dedicated, in-store hours for vulnerable or at-risk individuals.

B. **Critical and Non-Critical Retail** must implement the measures regarding employees listed in Section I.B of this **Appendix A**.

C. **Critical and Non-Critical Retail** must implement the measures to minimize disease transmission for customers listed in Section I.C of this **Appendix A** in addition to the following measures:

1. limit the number of customers on the premises as needed to make 6-foot distancing between customers attainable;
2. provide decals and demarcation for waiting area in lines that meet social distancing criteria;
3. create signage encouraging vulnerable and at-risk individuals to refrain from shopping outside of dedicated hours set aside for those who are more vulnerable or at-risk;
4. create signage requiring the use of face coverings and encouraging the use of gloves by customers while on the premises; and
5. provide hand sanitizer and wipes at entrances and other high-traffic locations to the greatest extent possible.

APPENDIX B: FIELD SERVICES REQUIREMENTS
CCPH Order 2020-05

I. **Field Services** may resume if the business can demonstrate compliance with the requirements in Section 2.i of this Order, in addition to the following requirements specific to **Field Services**:

A. Employers must implement the following measures regarding employees to minimize disease transmission:

1. adhere to all general rules or guidance on social gathering limitations when working out of the office;
2. implement procedures for field-based employees to monitor for symptoms and report-in to management daily on health status.
3. comply with the **Social Distancing Requirements** and maintain a 6-foot distance between employees and from their customers;
4. provide gloves and face covers, covering the mouth and nose, for any customer interactions or work being done in third-party home or office spaces;
5. When scheduling or conducting field services, either the employer or an employee must inquire whether third-party homes have individuals symptomatic for COVID-19 or have been in contact with known positive cases, and exercise caution when inside the home and interacting with anyone in the home if they do;
6. maintain a detailed log of customer interactions to enable contact tracing if it becomes necessary. The log should include name, date, and location of contact, as well as the contact's phone number and/or email address;
7. require that all tools or equipment be sanitized after each customer visit;
8. prioritize work accommodations for **Vulnerable Individuals**, prioritizing telecommuting;
9. provide guidance and encouragement on personal sanitation, including frequently washing hands. This guidance should include all of the following:
 - a. frequently and thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; if soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol;
 - b. cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, or use your inner elbow or sleeve;
 - c. avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands;
 - d. stay home if you're sick, and keep your children home if they are sick; and
 - e. clean high touch surfaces in your home, and personal items such as cell phones, using regular household products.

- B.** Employers must implement the following measures regarding customers to minimize disease transmission:
1. provide estimates, invoices, receipts, and other documentation electronically to negate the need for paper;
 2. provide contactless payment options in the field whenever possible;
 3. encourage customers to maintain 6-foot distancing from field service employees; and
 4. encourage or require customers to use facial coverings when field services are being conducted.

APPENDIX C: NON-CRITICAL OFFICE-BASED BUSINESSES REQUIREMENTS
CCPH Order 2020-05

I. Effective May 4, 2020, **Non-Critical Office-based Businesses** may resume at fifty percent (50%) of their in-office occupancy if the business can demonstrate compliance with the requirements of this Order, including Section 2.i, and all of the following:

- A. Employers must implement the following measures within the workplace to minimize disease transmission:
 - 1. ensure a minimum of 6 feet of space between all desks and workspaces;
 - 2. modify the flow of people traffic to minimize contacts, such as identifying doors for entry or exit only;
 - 3. conduct standard office cleaning with increased frequency and supplement with sanitization of high touch areas, in accord with CDPHE guidelines;
 - 4. provide employees with cleaning and disinfecting products and guidance on daily workspace cleaning routines; and
 - 5. post signage for employees and customers on good hygiene and new office practices.

- B. Employers must implement the following measures regarding employees to minimize disease transmission:
 - 1. maintain in-office occupancy at no more than 50% of total by maximizing use of telecommuting and developing in-office rotation schedules;
 - 2. minimize the number of in-person meetings and maintain 6-foot distancing in those meetings;
 - 3. provide guidance and encouragement on maintaining 6-foot distancing and taking breaks to wash hands;
 - 4. require employees wear face coverings that cover the mouth and nose, and require gloves for any customer interactions; face coverings may be removed when social distancing of at least 6 feet (e.g., after entering a private office); in order to ensure staff can take off their face coverings for meals and breaks, scheduling and location for meals and breaks should ensure that at least a 6-foot distance can be maintained between staff when staff needs to remove their face covering; and
 - 5. allow telecommuting to the greatest extent possible.

- C. Employers must implement the following measures regarding customers to minimize disease transmission:
 - 1. require 6-foot distancing measures wherever possible, such as marked space in check-out lines;
 - 2. require customers to use facial coverings when on the business premises;
 - 3. provide hand sanitizer at entrances and other high-traffic locations; and
 - 4. implement hours where service is only provided to **Vulnerable Individuals** if possible.

**APPENDIX D: PERSONAL SERVICES REQUIREMENTS
CCPH Order 2020-05**

I. **Personal Services** may only be performed with 10 or fewer people in a single location at a maximum of 50% occupancy for the location, whichever is less, including both employees and customers, e.g. 5 hairstylists providing services to 5 customers. **Personal Services** may resume if the business can demonstrate compliance with the requirements of this Order, including Section 2.i, and all of the following:

A. Employers and sole proprietors must implement the following measures within the workplace to minimize disease transmission:

1. Employ strict hygiene guidelines and cleaning and disinfection procedures for all contact surfaces and tools, in accordance with CDPHE Worker and Customer Protection Guidelines for Non-Healthcare Industries;
2. Ensure a minimum of 6 feet of separation between clients and customers, including services for pets, when not directly performing service;
3. Post signage for employees and customers on good hygiene and safety measures being taken; and
4. Minimize in-home and in-facility services with remote alternatives whenever possible, such as drive-by services or virtual meetings.

B. Employers must implement the following measures regarding employees to minimize disease transmission:

1. Services with close personal contact, such as beauty professionals, massage, etc., must implement the following:
 - a. wear a face covering and gloves at all times, or, if wearing gloves is not feasible or appropriate, meticulous hand washing;
 - c. change gloves and wash hands between every individual or pet served;
 - d. clean and disinfect all shared equipment and tools between every individual or pet served; and
 - e. maintain a detailed log of customer interactions to enable contact tracing if it becomes necessary. The log should include name, date, details of services performed, and location of contact, as well as the contact's phone number and/or email address.
2. Personal services with low personal contact, such as movers or repair services, must implement the following:
 - a. maintain a minimum of 6 feet of separation between customers and adhere to social gathering limits of no more than 10 people. For real estate work, open houses are prohibited;

- b. require use of gloves when feasible and require face coverings that cover the nose and mouth; and
- c. provide guidance on strict hygiene precautions to employees.

C. Personal Services must implement the following measures regarding customers to minimize disease transmission:

- 1. provide customer services by appointment only, do not allow walk-ins or waiting for an appointment, and limit all pet training classes or other activities associated with picking up pets to no more than 10 customers at a time and all following **Social Distancing Requirements**;
- 2. require customers to wear face coverings the cover the mouth and nose; if a customer does not have a face covering, a "disposable mask" could be provided;
- 3. conduct symptoms check for all customers of services with close personal contact and decline to provide services to anyone who has symptoms. A sample form can be found [here](#); and
- 4. provide contactless payment options whenever possible.

APPENDIX E: LIMITED HEALTHCARE SETTINGS REQUIREMENTS CCPH Order 2020-05

I. Limited Healthcare services may only be performed with 10 or fewer people in a single location at a maximum of 50% occupancy for the location, whichever is less, including both employees and patients, e.g. 5 chiropractors providing services to 5 customers. **Limited Healthcare Settings** may resume if the healthcare entity can demonstrate compliance with the requirements of this Order, including Section 2.i and may restart voluntary and elective surgeries and procedures in limited healthcare facilities and offices with required personal protective equipment (PPE) in accord with the priorities, requirements, and specific criteria below.

- A. Employers and sole proprietors of **Limited Healthcare Settings** must implement the following measures within the overall workplace, including administrative and front office operations, to minimize disease transmission:
1. The practice must have access to adequate PPE in order to sustain recommended PPE use for its workforce for two weeks without the need for emergency PPE-conserving measures. If a practice proposes to extend the use of or reuse PPE, it must follow CDC guidance.¹
 2. The practice must implement strict infection control policies as recommended by the CDC.²
 3. The practice must ensure a minimum of 6 feet of separation between clients and patients, when not directly performing service, with no more than 10 people in the facility;
 4. The practice must post signage for employees and patients on good hygiene and safety measures being taken; and
 5. The practice must minimize in-home and in-facility services with remote alternatives whenever possible, such as drive-by services or virtual meetings.
 6. Practices must maintain a plan to reduce or stop voluntary and elective surgeries and procedures should a surge/resurgence of COVID-19 cases occur in their region.

B. Employers of **Limited Healthcare Settings** must implement the following measures regarding employees to minimize disease transmission:

1. Services with close, direct personal contact must implement the following:
 - a. wear medical grade mask and gloves at all times;
 - b. change gloves and wash hands between every patient;
 - c. clean and disinfect all shared equipment and tools between every patient;and

¹ <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/index.html>

² <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/infection-control.html>

- d. maintain a detailed log of patient interactions to enable contact tracing if it becomes necessary. The log should include name, date, details of services performed, and location of contact, as well as the contact's phone number
2. Services with low personal contact must implement the following:
 - a. maintain a minimum of six 6 feet of separation between customers and limit to no more than 10 people in the facility.
 - b. require face coverings that cover the mouth and nose and, if feasible, gloves for any customer interactions; and
 - c. provide guidance on strict hygiene precautions to employees.
3. The practice must require all administrative personnel to wear a face covering, covering the mouth and nose, that can be cloth if necessary. Face coverings may be removed when social distancing of at least 6 feet (e.g., after entering a private office). In order to ensure staff can take off their face coverings for meals and breaks, scheduling and location for meals and breaks should ensure that at least a 6-foot distance can be maintained between staff when staff needs to remove their face covering. It is important for healthcare settings to emphasize that hand hygiene is essential to maintaining employee safety, even if staff are wearing masks. If the face covering is touched, adjusted or removed, hand hygiene should be performed.

C. **Limited Healthcare Settings** must implement the following measures regarding customers to minimize disease transmission:

1. The practice must provide services by appointment only, do not allow walk-ins or waiting for an appointment.
2. The practice must require patients to wear face coverings; if a patient does not have a face covering, a "disposable medical mask" could be provided.
3. The practice must conduct symptoms checks for all patients, decline to provide services to anyone who has symptoms, and refer them to their primary care physician.
4. The practice must provide contactless payment options whenever possible;
5. The practice must follow social distancing protocols of maintaining at least a 6-foot distance between individuals wherever possible such as in waiting rooms and other small spaces, and should use physical barriers within patient care areas when possible.
6. The practice must appropriately schedule patients, so that providers have sufficient time to change PPE and ensure rooms and equipment can be cleaned and disinfected between each patient.
7. The practice should continue to maximize the use of telehealth and virtual office or clinic visits.

8. The practice should use virtual waiting rooms when possible, with patients who are able to wait in their cars not entering the office until they can be moved immediately to an exam room.
9. The practice should implement source control for everyone entering the office or clinic, including requiring all patients and visitors to wear a face cover, covering the mouth and nose when entering any healthcare building, and if they arrive without a face cover, one should be provided.

D. As best practice, it is recommended that once voluntary and elective surgeries and procedures resume, **Limited Healthcare Settings** reassess their operations every two weeks, in order to ensure:

1. All of the above approaches and criteria are being met;
2. Procedures are prioritized based on whether their continued delay will have an adverse health outcome.
 - a. Voluntary and elective surgeries and procedures should be prioritized based on indication and urgency³;
3. Strong consideration is given to the balance of risks versus benefits for patients in higher-risk groups such as those over age 65 and those with compromised immune systems or lung and heart function;
4. All patients are pre-screened for COVID-19 risk factors and symptoms prior to delivering care, via telehealth when applicable; and
5. Compliance with the guidance and directives for maintaining a clean and safe work environment issued by the CDPHE and any applicable local health department for critical businesses is maintained, including compliance with **Social Distancing Requirements** and all public health orders currently in effect to the greatest extent possible.

³ Urgent and emergent care should continue in accordance with OHA and CMS guidance.

APPENDIX F: CRITICAL BUSINESSES

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Critical Businesses do NOT include health clubs as defined in C.R.S. § 6-1-102(4.6), fitness and exercise gyms, and similar facilities, or any of the other businesses required to close by CDPHE's State Public Health Order 20-22, such as bars, taverns, pubs, cigar bars theaters, and concert halls.

"**Critical Business**" means:

1. **Healthcare Operations, Including:**

- Hospitals, clinics, and walk-in health facilities
- Medical and dental care, including ambulatory providers
- Research and laboratory services
- Medical wholesale and distribution
- Home health care companies, workers and aides
- Pharmacies
- Pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies
- Behavioral health care providers
- Veterinary care and livestock services
- Nursing homes, residential health care, or congregate care facilities
- Medical supplies and equipment manufacturers and providers, including durable medical equipment technicians and suppliers
- Blood banks

2. **Critical Infrastructure, Including:**

- Utilities and electricity, including generation, transmission, distribution and fuel supply
- Road and railways
- Oil and gas extraction, production, refining, storage, transport and distribution
- Public water and wastewater
- Telecommunications and data centers
- Transportation and infrastructure necessary to support critical businesses
- All short-term lodging, including but not limited to hotels, motels, short-term rental (30 days or less), bed and breakfasts establishments, lodges, retreats, campgrounds/recreational vehicle park and recreational camping **that are only used** for **Necessary Travel** purposes or as authorized by writing by the Public Health Director for emergency or quarantine purpose or to provide lodging for essential personnel. Specifically, short-term lodging is permitted: for emergency purposes and as permitted by Public Health, guest travelling through the County and are using the short-term lodging or camping for overnight **Necessary Travel**, emergent sheltering of at-risk community members, and the use of the facility at the time of this Order as a long-term residence. All other use of short-term lodging and camping is prohibited, there shall be no booking or reservation for the pendency of this Order and current reservations for the timeframe anticipated in this Order shall be canceled. All short-term lodging

establishments shall follow CDPHE guidelines for minimizing the spread of COVID-19.

- Businesses and organizations that provide food, shelter, social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged, persons with access and functional needs, or otherwise needy individuals
- Food and plant cultivation, including farming crops, livestock, food processing and manufacturing, animal feed and feed products, rendering, commodity sales, and any other work critical to the operation of any component of the food supply chain
- Any business that produces products critical or incidental to the construction or operation of the categories of products included in this subsection

3. Critical Manufacturing, Including:

- Food processing, manufacturing agents, including all foods and beverages
- Chemicals
- Computers and computer components
- Medical equipment, components used in any medical device, supplies or instruments
- Pharmaceuticals
- Sanitary products
- Telecommunications
- Microelectronics/semiconductor
- Agriculture/farms
- Household paper products
- Any business that produces products critical or incidental to the processing, functioning, development, manufacture, packaging, or delivery of any of the categories of products included in this subsection
- Any manufacturing necessary to support a **Critical Business**

4. Critical Retail, Including:

- Grocery stores including all food and beverage stores
- Farm and produce stands
- Gas stations and convenience stores
- Restaurants and bars (for take-out/delivery only as necessary under **State Executive Order 2020 011** and **State Public Health Order 20-22**, as amended)
- Marijuana dispensary (only for the sale of medical marijuana or curbside delivery pursuant to **State Executive Order 2020 011**)
- Liquor stores
- Pet stores for pet food and supplies
- Firearms stores
- Hardware, farm supply, and building material stores
- Establishments engaged in the retail sale of food and any other essential household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products), excluding retailers of only health and nutrition-related products

(vitamins, minerals, supplements, herbs, sports nutrition, diet and energy products)

5. Critical Services, Including:

- Trash, compost, and recycling collection, processing and disposal
- Mail and shipping services, and locations that offer P.O. boxes
- Self-serve laundromats and garment and linen cleaning services for critical businesses
- Building cleaning and maintenance
- Child care services
- Bicycle-shops for the sole purpose of supplying repair parts and repairing and maintenance of bicycles but not including retail sales or rental of bicycles and equipment for leisure use. Bicycle shops must follow **Social Distance Requirements** and establish when possible curbside service
- Automobile rental, auto supply and repair (including retail dealerships that include repair and maintenance, but not retail sales)
- Warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, including freight distributors
- Funeral homes, crematoriums, and cemeteries with strict compliance with **Social Distancing Requirements** for employees and any attendees of services
- In-person pastoral services for individuals who are in crisis or in need of end of life services provided **Social Distancing Requirements** are observed to the greatest extent possible. Houses of worship may remain open, services are limited to 10 or fewer congregants and **Social Distancing Requirements** are required and the use of electronic platforms to conduct services whenever possible is encouraged
- Storage for **Critical Businesses**
- Animal shelters, animal boarding services, animal rescues, zoological facilities, animal sanctuaries, and other related facilities, excluding pet grooming

6. News Media

- Newspapers
- Television
- Radio
- Other media services

7. Financial Institutions, Including:

- Banks and credit institutions
- Insurance, payroll, and accounting services
- Services related to financial markets
- Professional services, such as legal, title companies, or accounting services, real estate appraisals and transactions.

8. Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations, Including:

- Homeless shelters and congregate care facilities
- Food banks

- Human services providers whose function includes the direct care of patients in State-licensed or funded voluntary programs; the care, protection, custody and oversight of individuals both in the community and in State-licensed residential facilities; those operating community shelters and other critical human services agencies providing direct care or support

9. Essential Construction:

- All construction that requires a permit through the Chaffee County Building Department is deemed **Essential Construction**. All other construction is deemed **Non-Essential Construction** and must immediately shut down except for **Non-Essential Emergency Construction**, which is necessary to protect the health and safety of the occupants or to continue a project until it is safe to shut the site down.
- All **Essential Construction** may continue only if the **Essential Construction** site registers the work site with the Chaffee County Building Department and follows and implements CCPH's COVID-19 work site safety requirements. **Essential Construction** sites that violate this Order will be immediately shut-down and penalties may be imposed under this Order.
- **Essential Construction** includes any construction project not requiring a building permit, which is necessary to protect the health and safety of a **Critical Business**.
- For the purpose of this section **Non-Essential Construction** does not include a single worker, who are the sole employee/worker on a job site, or members of a common household engaged in at-home (owner occupied) construction projects.
- On a case-by-case basis, **Non-Essential Construction** may be allowed by CCPH and would be subject to same requirements as an **Essential Construction**.

10. Defense

- Defense, security, and intelligence-related operations supporting the State of Colorado, local government, the U.S. Government or a contractor for any of the foregoing
- Aerospace operations
- Military operations and personnel
- Defense suppliers

11. Critical Services Necessary to Maintain the Safety, Sanitation and Critical Operations of Residences or Other Critical Businesses, Including:

- Law enforcement
- Fire prevention and response
- Building code enforcement
- Security
- Emergency management and response

- Building cleaners or janitors
- General maintenance whether employed by the entity directly or a vendor
- Automotive repair
- Disinfection
- Snow removal
- Landscape services that are related to general maintenance and repair

12. Vendors that Provide Critical Services or Products, Including Logistics and Technology Support, Child Care and Services:

- Logistics
- Technology support for online and telephone services
- Child care programs and services
- Government owned or leased buildings
- **Critical Government Functions**

13. Education Institution that Provide Critical Services to Students and the General Public:

- K-12 public school and private schools for the purposes of providing meals, housing, facilities or providing materials for distance learning, and providing other essential services to students, provided that **Social Distancing Requirements** are observed.
- Postsecondary institutions, including private and public colleges and universities, for the purpose of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided that **Social Distancing Requirements** are observed, such as security, medical and mental health services, housing, food services and critical research.