

## INGHAM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT 5303 S. Cedar St., Lansing, MI 48911

## AMENDED EMERGENCY ORDER (Ingham2020-3) FOR CONTROL OF PANDEMIC Required screening and social distancing measures at open businesses and operations subject to the Governor's Executive Order 2020-21

Emergency Order (Ingham2020-2) imposed such restrictions. With this order, Emergency Order Ingham2020-2 is rescinded. This order imposes substantially identical restrictions, with the exception of certain clarifying changes to exemptions for some essential workers including healthcare and critical transportation workers. It also provides additional guidance on screening procedures.

This Order is made pursuant to Section 2453 of Michigan's Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368 (MCL 333.2453). Effective March 24, 2020, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued Executive Order No. 2020-21 which temporarily suspended activities that are not necessary to sustain or protect life continuing through April 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Exemptions include businesses and operations that employ critical infrastructure workers, which may continue in-person operations. Consistent with MCL 10.33 and MCL 30.405(3), a willful violation of Executive Order No. 2020-21 shall constitute a misdemeanor.

The Local Health Officer has determined that additional restrictions are necessary to control the Coronavirus pandemic and to protect the public health of Ingham County based on the following:

- 1. A communicable disease, novel Coronavirus, which causes COVID-19, has been identified within Ingham County and can be transmitted from person to person.
- 2. In order to control and limit the spread of the Coronavirus, it is necessary to prevent and limit infected people from encountering uninfected people.
- 3. U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention encourages "social distancing" measures. Social distancing is a conscious effort to reduce close contact between people to slow community transmission of the virus.

It is hereby ordered that businesses and operations remaining open under Michigan Executive Order 2020-21 take the following precautions:

- 1. Develop and implement a daily screening program for all staff upon or just prior to reporting to work sites.
  - a. The screening procedures must include the following questions:
    - i. Symptoms including but not limited to: fever, cough (excluding chronic cough due to known medical reason), shortness of breath, sore throat, and/or diarrhea.
       A verbal confirmation of lack of fever is sufficient if a touchless thermometer is unavailable.

- ii. Any close contact in the last 14 days with someone with a diagnosis of COVID-19.
- iii. Travel internationally or outside of Michigan in the last 14 days.
- b. Any "yes" response to the screening questions above requires the individual to be excluded:
  - i. For at least 72 hours with no fever (that is three full days of no fever without use of medicine that reduces fevers) AND other symptoms have improved (for example, when your cough and shortness of breath have improved) AND at least 7 days have passed since your symptoms first appeared.
  - ii. 14 days if close contact with diagnosed case of COVID-19.
  - iii. 14 days following travel unless that travel was due to commuting from a home location outside of Michigan. Commuting is defined as traveling a distance between one's home and work on a regular basis.

## c. Exemptions

- i. First responders, healthcare workers, law enforcement, EMS, health-related transportation workers and other essential health workers are exempt from Part 1, Section b., Item ii.
- ii. Essential workers engaged in travel related to supply chain and critical infrastructure/movement are exempt from Part 1, Section b., Item iii.
- iii. Nothing in this order shall limit the operations of first responders, health care institutions, public health functions, pharmacies and other entities that are involved in the mitigation of risk during this pandemic.
- 2. Develop and implement a social distancing plan (at least 6 feet from another person) for employees working in shared spaces and customers waiting for services inside or outside of the business.
- 3. Limit capacity inside facilities to provide for social distancing between customers and employees. This includes, but is not limited to use of signs, contact barriers, entrance limits and specialized hours.
- 4. Publish this order at all facility entrances so that it is visible to all employees and customers.

The contents of this Order will be published to the members of the public at large by all reasonable means available. This Order will become effective on **March 29, 2020 at 5:00 pm continuing through April 13, 2020 at 11:59 pm.** Those who disregard the order could be subject to a misdemeanor that includes up to 90 days in jail and/or a fine of up to \$200.

Respectfully,

Linda S. Vail, Health Officer

**Ingham County Health Department** 

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