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# **ORDER OF THE VENTURA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER** **AMENDING PRIOR ORDER TO ALLOW CERTAIN SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES AND ACTIVITIES TO REOPEN INDOOR OPERATIONS PURSUANT TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH ORDER SYSTEM AND ADDITIONAL DIRECTIVES**

**Effective Date: October 6, 2020, at 12:01 p.m.**

**Please read this Order carefully.** On August 28, 2020, the California State Health Officer amended the State's health orders to revise the structure of the health orders from one based on a monitoring list for counties to a system based on tiers tied to public health data. Effective October 6, 2020, the County of Ventura has been placed in Tier 2 of the State's health order system, which allows specified businesses to reopen for indoor operations, provided they comply with strict safety protocols set out in the State's health orders. The County Health Officer has determined that the current public health data status of COVID-19 in the County reasonably support the opening of businesses as allowed under the State's health order.

ACCORDINGLY, AS DIRECTED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101030, 101040, 101085, AND 120175, TITLE 1 OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, AND ARTICLE XI OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION, THE VENTURA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ("HEALTH OFFICER") HEREBY ORDERS:

- 1. Rescission.** Subparts (a), (b) and (c) of section 1 of the Order of the Ventura County Health Officer issued July 13, 2020 (effective July 14, 2020), are hereby rescinded. Gyms and fitness centers, worship services and personal care services may operate indoors in the County so long as they comply with State or, when more restrictive, County public health orders.
- 2. Laboratory Reporting Requirements.** Any entity performing SARS-CoV-2 testing on a patient who resides in Ventura County is required to report both positive and non-positive results to the Ventura County Public Health Department within eight (8) hours through the state communicable disease surveillance system. In addition, each provider shall ensure that all demographic information, including race and ethnicity, is included in the lab order and verified for accuracy. This information is required to assure that the public health department has accurate surveillance data necessary to identify