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## **COUNTY OF BUTTE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER**

### **Isolation of Persons with or Likely to have COVID-19 Amended January 19, 2022 – supersedes Order dated October 18, 2021**

Pursuant to sections 101040, 101085, 120175 and 120220 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Butte County Health Officer (“Health Officer”) hereby **ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a substantial threat to the public’s health and safety. The County of Butte (County) is currently subject to a declared local health emergency and a proclaimed local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Governor of the state of California has proclaimed a state of emergency. Everyone is at risk for becoming ill with COVID-19, but some people are more vulnerable to serious illness due to age or underlying health conditions. In order to slow the spread of COVID-19 and prevent the healthcare system in the County from becoming overwhelmed with hospitalizations or ICU patients, it is necessary for the Health Officer of the County to require the isolation of persons diagnosed with, or likely to have COVID-19 (COVID Positive Persons).
2. The determination of a COVID Positive person is based on one or more of the following factors:
  - a. A positive antigen or molecular (also referred to as PCR) lab test for the coronavirus (known as SARS-CoV-2) that causes COVID-19; or
  - b. Signs and symptoms that are consistent with COVID-19 within 14 days of being in close contact with a person who had or was believed to have had COVID-19; or
  - c. A healthcare provider has informed the individual that they are likely to have COVID-19.
3. COVID Positive Persons, regardless of vaccination status, are required to isolate themselves. These persons are required to follow all instructions in this Order and guidance documents referenced in this Order. All COVID Positive Persons must take the following actions:
  - a. Isolate themselves in their home or another residence. They may not leave their place of isolation or enter any other public or private place, except to receive necessary medical care.

- b. Carefully review and closely follow all recommendations, listed in the appropriate guidance document(s) for the COVID Positive Person's status and setting, as requirements:
    - i. General Public: [CDPH Guidance for Local Health Jurisdictions on Isolation and Quarantine of the General Public – dated January 8, 2022](#)
    - ii. Healthcare Workers: [CDPH Guidance on Quarantine and Isolation for Health Care Personnel \(HCP\) Exposed to SARS-CoV-2 and Return to Work for HCP with COVID-19 – dated January 8, 2022](#)
    - iii. K-12 Schools: [CDPH COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2021-22 School Year – dated January 12, 2022](#)
  - c. Inform their Close Contacts that they are considered COVID Exposed Persons and that they are required to quarantine themselves pursuant to the Butte County Health Officer Quarantine Order, which is located at: [BCPH COVID-19 webpage](#).
    - i. Close contacts may vary depending on the COVID Positive Person's status and setting. Refer to the appropriate guidance documents linked above for more information.
4. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order, or any application of it, is held to be invalid, preempted, or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order, which shall continue in full force and effect.
  5. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference any applicable federal, State or local law, regulation, rule, policy or procedure and CDPH guidance and/or recommendations related to COVID-19, as they may be amended or supplemented.
  6. This Order shall remain in effect until superseded, rescinded or amended by the Health Officer.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

Date: January 19, 2022

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