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Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Public Health Emergency Order for Cass County, Missouri

Updated guidelines for restaurants and public gatherings

CASS COUNTY, MO (March 17, 2020) – Cass County Health Department Director Andrew Warlen— in consultation with the Cass County Commissioners – today issued a public health emergency order after the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued its latest COVID-19 guidance.

Effective 12:01 a.m. March 18, 2020 until 12:01 a.m. April 1, 2020:

- All restaurants, bars, taverns, clubs and movie theaters are to be closed to the public. Establishments may continue to provide curbside, drive-through, and delivery services.
- All large public gatherings of more than 10 people are prohibited. Exceptions include governmental and judicial functions, healthcare facilities, private business operations, religious and faith-based activities, weddings and funerals.

We are still strongly encouraging events geared toward senior citizens be postponed or cancelled as they are most at risk for severe illness. We are continuously monitoring the evolving situation and working to ensure our community is prepared.

To reduce risk and prevent the spread of COVID-19, continue to follow these basic preventative measures:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Stay home if you are sick
- Cover coughs and sneezes using your elbow or shoulder rather than your hands
- Clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces frequently

If you suspect that you have COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, call your healthcare provider to let them know before seeking care. It is critical that your provider is aware you may have COVID-19 prior to your arrival at a healthcare facility, and that you follow all instructions for arriving at a healthcare facility.

For more information please visit our website at www.casscounty.com/2450/COVID-19 or call the State of Missouri Hotline at 1-877-435-8411.

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