

## County of Santa Cruz

## **HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY**

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**Public Health Division** 

## ORDER RESCINDING THE HEALTH OFFICER'S ORDER REQUIRING ISOLATION OF THOSE INFECTED WITH COVID-19 AND QUARANTINE OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE INFECTED WITH COVID-19

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295, et seq.; Cal. Penal Code §§ 69, 148(a)(1).)

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

- 1. On February 2, 2022, I issued an Amended Order requiring isolation of those infected with COVID-19 and an Amended Order requiring quarantine of those individuals who have been in close contact with someone infected with COVID-19.
- 2. Effective May 12, 2023, both of my Amended Orders as referenced above are hereby rescinded.
- 3. County residents are advised to follow instructions provided by the California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") until the guidance and instructions are rescinded or withdrawn by CDPH:
  - a. Guidance for Local Health Jurisdictions on Isolation and Quarantine of the General Public, available at: <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Guidance-on-Isolation-and-Quarantine-for-COVID-19-Contact-Tracing.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Guidance-on-Isolation-and-Quarantine-for-COVID-19-Contact-Tracing.aspx</a>
  - b. All Facilities Letter (AFL) 21-08, for workers in certain health care facilities, available at: <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCO/LCP/Pages/AFL-21-08.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCO/LCP/Pages/AFL-21-08.aspx</a>
  - c. COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools to Support Safe In-Person Learning, 2022-23 School Year, available at: <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/K-12-Guidance-2022-23-School-Year.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/K-12-Guidance-2022-23-School-Year.aspx</a>
  - d. Guidance for Child Care Providers and Programs, available at: <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Child-Care-Guidance.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Child-Care-Guidance.aspx</a>.
  - e. Employers and workers in Santa Cruz County are advised to follow isolation requirements outlined by Cal/OSHA, including the COVID-19 Prevention Non-Emergency Regulations, available at: <a href="https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/Non-Emergency Regulations/">https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/Non-Emergency Regulations/</a>

- 4. **Copies.** Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County offices at 701 Ocean St, Santa Cruz, CA 95060; (2) posted on the County Public Health Department website (www.santacruzhealth.org);and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.
- 5. **Severability.** If any provision of this Order or its application 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.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Gail Newel, MD

Health Officer of the County of Santa Cruz

Dated: May /2, 2023

Approved as to Form:

Office of the County Counsel