



Monroe County Health Department

Monroe County, Indiana

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MONROE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER ISSUED ON MAY 14 2020

As the Monroe County Public Health Authority, pursuant to the authority granted by Indiana Codes 16-20-1 et seq. and 16-41-9 et seq., in the interest of protecting all Monroe County citizens, and reducing the spread of communicable disease, specifically the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), I order the following to take effect throughout Monroe County, Indiana, beginning on May 16, 2020 12:00 AM and to be in effect until May 31, 2020 at 11:59 AM.

This **Health Order** is issued after respectful consideration of the needs of the City of Bloomington, the Towns of Ellettsville and Stinesville, and Monroe County Government, who each, independently, have statutory authority under Indiana's Home Rule to act for the effective operation of local affairs within their units. The authority granted to me, as the Public Health Authority, to act throughout the entirety of Monroe County, is recognized by these units as state power delegated to instruct, guide, and protect the health of Monroe County Citizens and the constituents within their units.

Monroe County shall follow the Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Indiana, *except for the following deviations including the length of time for the Health Order to be in effect, which are designed to and, in my discretion and professional opinion, necessary to protect Monroe County residents. The deviations are listed here in narrative form and visually depicted on the attached chart, which is incorporated herein and made part of this Health Order:*

1. Timeline

This Health Order shall require Monroe County to follow the Stage II requirements listed in the Executive Order 20-26 of the Governor of Indiana until May 31, 2020. That deviates from the Governor's timeline, by extending the timeline by one week or seven calendar days.

2. Facial Coverings

Where not required by the Governor's Executive Order 20-26, Monroe County is strongly recommending the use of facial coverings when in public and unable to socially distance as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control.

3. Government Offices

Each unit of Government shall direct its staff and govern their buildings and operations as they deem appropriate, provided no conflict exists with the Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Indiana.

4. Office Settings

Teleworking is strongly recommended where possible, in order to reduce human contact where unnecessary and the possible spread of disease.

5. Religious Services

Monroe County is strongly encouraging places of worship to hold off on interior gatherings until June 1, 2020. This is not a prohibition, but is a strong recommendation.

6. Dining Services

Dining Services can open immediately at 50% capacity.

7. Personal Services

Businesses providing personal services can open immediately within the guidelines.

8. General Recommendations

When individuals must interact with one another outside the home, including at work, they must observe the following precautions:

- a. Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet from other individuals;
- b. Wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds as frequently as possible, or use hand sanitizer when necessary;
- c. Cover all coughs and sneezes;
- d. Disinfect frequently used surfaces;
- e. Share food, drinks, utensils, and office supplies and equipment (such as pens, staplers, and computer keyboards) as little as possible;
- f. Increase ventilation of indoor spaces, by opening windows or adjusting air conditioning, as much as possible;
- g. Hold all necessary meetings by telephone or videoconference whenever possible; and
- h. Refrain from shaking hands or engaging in other physical contact with the hands or face of another person.

This Health Order is, hereby, issued pursuant to the Indiana Code provisions listed above and in a manner consistent with all statutory authority delegated to me as the Monroe County Public Health Authority.



Dr. Thomas W. Sharp

5/14/20

Back on Track Indiana for MONROE COUNTY

- KEY -



Closed/Virtual Only



Essential Only



75% Capacity



Fully Open with
Social Distancing



Pickup & Delivery Only



50% Capacity



Open with Restrictions

| | Stage 1: March 24-May 15 | Stage 2: May 16 – May 31 | Stage 3: | Stage 4: | Stage 5: |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Social Gatherings | 10 People or Fewer | 25 People or Fewer | | | |
| Facial Coverings | Recommended | Recommended | | | |
| Government Offices | Closed to the Public | May Vary-Check with Gov. Entity | | | |
| Manufacturing, Industrial | | | | | |
| Office Settings | | Remote Work Encouraged | | | |
| Retail | | | | | |
| Restaurants | | | | | |
| Bars and Clubs | | | | | |
| Gyms | | | | | |
| Personal Services | | | | | |
| Entertainment and Tourism | | | | | |
| Religious Services | | Recommend no inside services until June | | | |