BOARD OF HEALTH IN AND FOR SOUTHEAST UTAH HEALTH DEPARTMENT (CARBON COUNTY, EMERY COUNTY, GRAND COUNTY), STATE OF UTAH AND

GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL IN AND FOR GRAND COUNTY, UTAH

In the matter of:

COVID-19 Pandemic within Utah

PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

Order No.:

SEUHD 2020-08GC

Date:

August 18, 2020

Legal Authority: Utah Code §26A-1-114

Utah Code §53-2A-209

Utah Code § 26A-1-106(2) provides that "[r]egulations or standards relating to public health or environmental health services adopted or established by a local health department may not be less restrictive than [State Department of Health orders]."

COVID-19 is a contagion that spreads from person to person. The Health Officer for Southeast Utah recognizes the need for the public to continue to work cooperatively and proactively to slow the spread of COVID-19 and to address the myriad challenges that may arise due to COVID-19. The Health Officer and the Grand County Council find that this need is especially present in Grand County.

The Executive Director finds COVID-19 poses a continuing and immediate threat to the public health of Grand County residents and visitors.

This is a critical moment in Grand County and the State of Utah, and all County residents, businesses, community organizations, visitors, and government must do their respective parts to slow the transmission of COVID-19, enhance and improve the ability of our healthcare system to meet this mounting challenge, restore consumer confidence, and reduce the economic impact of this global healthcare crisis.

THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority granted to Bradon C. Bradford, MSPH, MPA, REHS, Southeast Utah Health Department Officer by Utah Code §26A-1-114(2)(a) and to the Grand County Council under Utah Code §53-2A-209, they hereby jointly ORDER the following for GRAND COUNTY, UTAH:

Section 1. The intent of this Public Health Order is to ensure a coordinated implementation of practices which slow the transmission of COVID-19 by providing Grand County residents, businesses, community organizations, visitors, and government with access to the information needed to implement those practices.

Section 2. All Grand County residents, businesses, visitors, and community organizations shall comply with the guidelines for Grand County set forth in version 4.7 of the "Phased Guidelines for the General Public and Businesses to Maximize Public Health and Economic Reactivation" ("Guidelines") and any subsequent modification to the Guidelines and assigned risk phase (Green, Yellow, Orange, or REd) released by the Utah Department of Health and assigned by the Governor during the effective period of this Public Health Order. The Guidelines can be found at: https://coronavirus.utah.gov/.

Section 3. Subject to Section 4, all individuals within Grand County shall be required to wear a Face Covering that completely covers the nose and mouth in public areas, including any indoor or outdoor space open to the public, where consistent social distancing of at least six feet is not possible, reasonable, or prudent.

Section 4. The following individuals are exempt from wearing a Face Covering:

- 4.1 Individuals age two years or under;
- 4.2 Individuals with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a Face Covering or Face Shield;
- 4.3 Individuals who are hearing impaired, or communicating with an individual who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication;
- 4.4 Individuals for whom wearing a Face Covering or Face Shield would create a risk to the individual related to their work or activity, as determined by local, state or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines;
- 4.5 Individuals who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the Face Covering or Face Shield is necessary to perform the service;
- 4.6 Individuals who are seated at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service, while they are eating or drinking;

- 4.7 Individuals who are purchasing a product or receiving a service that requires identification may briefly remove a Face Covering or Face Shield, as necessary, so that the retailer or service provider can verify identity;
- 4.8 Individuals engaging in work where they are alone in an indoor establishment or facility.

Because children between the ages of two (2) and twelve (12) years of age can have challenges wearing a Face Covering or Face Shield properly (e.g., excessively touching the Face Covering, not changing the Face Covering if visibly soiled, risk of strangulation or suffocation, etc.), they are to be worn with the assistance and close supervision of an adult. Face Coverings or Face Shields should never be worn by children when sleeping.

Section 5. All businesses open to the public where Face Coverings are required hereunder shall post a notice in form and substance promulgated by SEUHD in a clearly visible location at or near the entrance of such business that declares Face Coverings are required by this Order.

Section 6. This Public Health Order takes immediate effect. This Public Health Order will expire at 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2020, unless extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing, and shall be re-evaluated as warranted.

BY ORDER OF THE SOUTHEAST UTAH HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEALTH OFFICER AND THE GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Bradon C. Bradford, MSPH, MPA, REHS - SEUHD Health Officer

Mary McGann - Grand County Council Chair

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