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ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF TUOLUMNE MODIFYING COVID-19 ORDERS

***WHEREAS**, a declaration of emergency was issued by the Governor of the State of California on March 18, 2020, and local emergencies have been declared in Tuolumne County in response to the virus COVID-19; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and California Department of Public Health (CDPH) have issued new quarantine guidance for individuals who have been fully vaccinated; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and California Department of Public Health (CDPH) have issued new quarantine guidance for individuals to test out of quarantine to shorten the quarantine period; and*

***WHEREAS**, California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has issued guidance for students in the Kindergarten through Grade 12; and*

***WHEREAS**, I, as the Interim Health Officer for the County of Tuolumne, issued a Health Officer's Order regarding Youth Extracurricular Activities and Youth Sports, and*

***NOW, THEREFORE**, under the authority of California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 120175, and 120175.5(b), the Tuolumne County Health Officer **HEREBY MAKES THE FOLLOWING ORDERS**, which shall be applicable within the County of Tuolumne:*

- 1. All persons residing in the County of Tuolumne and who test positive for the virus that causes COVID-19 shall:**
 - a. Isolate themselves until ten days after onset of symptoms and one day after cessation of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications.
 - b. This isolation period may be extended to twenty days if the person has continued symptoms that have not improved or have worsened by the tenth day of symptoms.
 - c. Follow additional guidance provided by CDPH at:
<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/COVID-19/self-isolation-instructions.pdf>

- 2. All close contacts of anyone isolated under this order will be placed into a 10-day quarantine with the following exceptions:**
- a. Fully vaccinated people with no COVID-like symptoms do not need to quarantine or be tested following an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
 - b. Fully vaccinated people who do not quarantine should still monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days following an exposure and they should test for SARS-CoV-2 four to five days after their exposure
 - c. An unvaccinated person may test between the fifth and seventh day after their exposure. If that test is negative, the person may be released from quarantine on the eighth day after their exposure. That person should continue to monitor for symptoms for fourteen days after their exposure.
 - d. Modified quarantine is permitted when an exposure occurs in the school setting where both the case and the contact are wearing face masks per the K-12 Isolation and Quarantine flowchart at: <https://www.tuolumnecounty.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/19787/School-Close-Contact-Flow-Chart-11-10-21-V2?bidId=>. An unvaccinated student in the K-12 school setting can do modified quarantine. In modified quarantine, student may attend scheduled classes and co-curricular events, but not extracurricular or community events, and must otherwise be at home.
 - e. If a close contact experiences symptoms, regardless of vaccination status, they should isolate themselves from others, be clinically evaluated for COVID-19, including SARS-CoV-2 testing, if indicated, and inform their health care provider of their vaccination status at the time of presentation to care.

For the purpose of this order:

- People are considered fully vaccinated “2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen vaccine.”
- Isolation is defined as “separation of sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick.”
- Quarantine is defined as “separation and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick.”
- Close contact is defined as “anyone who has been within six feet for a period of fifteen minutes or longer of a person placed in isolation.”

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) may recommend further guidance.

This Order shall be effective immediately and will remain in effect until further notice.

I, as Health Officer for the County of Tuolumne, encourage voluntary compliance with this Health Officer’s Order. However, violation of this order is subject to fine, imprisonments or both (California Health and Safety Code Section 120295.)



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Health Officer

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