



**Essential Guidance for Area Organizations Pursuant to Illinois
Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-10 Pertaining to
Stay At Home Measures to Stop the Spread of
COVID – 19 (Coronavirus Disease)**

After review of Executive Order 2020-10, the Health Department has compiled a list of requirements under this act as well as businesses or entities that meet the definition of an essential service:

- Executive Order 2020-10 begins at 17:00 on March 21, 2020 and remains in effect until April 8, 2020. This order also **EXTENDS** the prior executive order pertaining to **school closures** until April 8, 2020.
- All residents who reside in the State of Illinois are ordered to **STAY AT HOME**. Homes or residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units, shelters, and similar residences. **Elderly people and those who are vulnerable** as a result of illness should take **ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONS** and stay in their residence except as **ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY**.
- **It is permissible** for all persons to leave their home for only **ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES, ESSENTIAL SERVICES, AND ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS**.
 - What are essential activities, essential services, and essential government functions?
 - **Essential Activities:**
 - **For Health and Safety:**
 - To engage in activities or perform tasks **ESSENTIAL** to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (including pets).
 - **For Necessary Supplies and Services:**
 - To obtain **NECESSARY** services or supplies to others to maintain the essential operations of residences.
 - **For Outdoor Activity:**
 - It is permissible for individuals to visit public parks for recreational activities (hiking, biking, walking, running, etc) provided that social distancing measures (at least 6 feet from any other person) are strictly followed.

- **For CERTAIN TYPES of work:**
 - If your work involves providing ESSENTIAL products and services at ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES OR OPERATIONS, e.g., Healthcare and Public Health Operations, Human Service Operations, Essential Government Functions, and Essential Infrastructure.
- **To Take Care of Others:**
 - To take care of a family member, friend, pet; and to transport family members, friends, or pets to ESSENTIAL SERVICES.
- **Essential Services:**
 - Agencies required to support the health, safety, and welfare of the public, including pets. This includes contractors performing essential functions, as well as essential businesses providing **NECESSARY** services, such as:
 - Stores that sell groceries and medicines. This includes certified farmers' markets and produce stands.
 - Food, beverage, and cannabis production; agriculture. This applies to licensed medical cannabis dispensaries only.
 - Organizations that provide charitable services such as foodbanks and religious/secular non-profit organizations
 - Media
 - Gas stations and businesses essential for transportation: Auto-repair shops, bike shops, auto-supply stores, oil and biofuel refineries, etc.
 - Financial and accounting institutions
 - Hardware stores
 - Critical trades: Plumbers, electricians, cleaning services for commercial and government facilities, security, operating engineers, HVAC, painters, and relocation services; and all other trades essential for maintaining safety and sanitation.
 - Mail, post, logistics, delivery services, and pick-up services
 - Educational institutions: For the purpose of facilitating long distance or e-learning and providing to-go meals for school aged children in need.
 - Laundromats
 - Restaurants for consumption **off-premises. Curbside, carry-out, delivery options may remain open.**
 - Suppliers that provide essential material to work from home individuals
 - Suppliers of materials essential for business operations
 - Transportation services including airport operations, public transportation, taxi services, vehicle rental services, and services pertaining to roads, highways and railroads.
 - Home-based care
 - Construction, building management and maintenance

- Utility services
 - Telecommunications (Internet, video, and telephone services) and cybersecurity management).
 - Solid waste and recycling services
 - Residential facilities and shelters
 - Professional services
 - Manufacturing, distribution, and supply chain for critical products and industries
 - Critical labor union functions
 - Hotels and motels
 - Funeral services
 - Day Care Centers: Applies **ONLY** to centers who provide care of children of working professionals exempted under the executive order; day care centers granted an emergency license pursuant to Title 89, Section 407.400 of the Illinois Administrative Code. Licensing requirements for day care homes pursuant to Section 4 or the Child Care Act are hereby suspended for family homes that receive up to six (6) children for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation.
 - Healthcare and other human services operations such as hospitals, clinics, dental offices (only emergency services are recommended by the Illinois State Dental Society), pharmacies, blood centers, home healthcare services; mental health, developmentally disabled, and substance abuse services; and manufacturers, technicians, logistics, and warehouse operators and distributors of essential medical and sanitation/disinfection supplies and equipment; long term care facilities. **It is advised that these entities determine or define essential functions and identify employees and/or contractors necessary to performing these functions and send all other employees home.**
- **Essential Government:**
- Refers to **ALL SERVICES** provided by the State of Illinois or any municipality, township, county, subdivision, or agency of government, and needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies or to provide for or support the health, safety and welfare of the public. This includes, for example, human services operations, DCFS, Medicaid, first responders, emergency management, court, law enforcement and corrections, child protection and welfare personnel; housing and shelter personnel, military, public health operations, and weather mitigation services, etc.
 - Each government function shall determine its essential functions and identify employees and/or contractors necessary to performing these

functions. It is recommended by the Health Department, not advised under this order, that employees carry proper credentialing at all times (Ex: badges, business cards, or note from supervisor) that work is being performed.

- **REQUIRED MEASURES: Essential businesses and operations MUST TAKE proactive measure to ensure compliance with the INTENT of this order:**
 1. **Designate six-foot distances.** Designating with signage, tape, or by other means six-foot spacing for employees and customers in line to maintain appropriate distance;
 2. **Hand sanitizer and sanitizing products.** Having hand sanitizer and sanitizing products readily available for employees and customers;
 3. **Separate operating hours for vulnerable populations.** Implementing separate operating hours for elderly and vulnerable customers, and
 4. **Online and remote access.** Posting online whether a facility is open and how best to reach the facility and continue services by phone or remotely.

- Under this Executive Order the following activities are **PROHIBITED:**
 - All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit unless exempt under this order.
 - **NON-ESSENTIAL** businesses and operations **MUST CEASE.** Those businesses providing essential services, the examples and limitations of which are noted in this guidance, may remain open.
 - All travel, including (but not limited to), travel by automobile, motorcycle, scooter, bicycle, train, plane or public transit unless it is for **ESSENTIAL** travel.
 - Amusements such as carnivals, water parks, aquariums, theaters, zoos, museums, arcades, children's play centers, funplexes, theme parks, concert/music halls, bowling alleys, and social clubs shall be closed to the public for the duration of this executive order.
 - Use of fitness centers and exercise gyms, services at spas, salons, barber shops, tattoo parlors and activities of other similar facilities deemed **NON-ESSENTIAL.**

For additional guidance, please refer to the original Executive Order 2020-10 here:

<https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx> or email the DeWitt/Piatt Bi-County Health Department at dremmert@dewittpiattthealth.com.