

EMERGENCY ORDER AND ADVISORY OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER

An Emergency Public Health Order issued on this 1st day of May 2020, to mitigate the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Jefferson County, Kansas, pursuant to the authority provided in K.S.A. 65-119 and K.S.A. 65-202.

WHEREAS, the continuing global, national, and statewide public health crisis resulting from the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) and the confirmed outbreak and person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in multiple counties surrounding Jefferson County, in the state of Kansas, and in the United States;

WHEREAS, the Local Health Officer is authorized and required, pursuant to K.S.A. 65-119 and K.S.A. 65-202 to immediately exercise and maintain a supervision over known or suspected cases of any infectious or contagious disease during its continuance, and to issue orders seeing that all such cases are properly handled and that the provisions of the Kansas public health laws as to isolation, quarantine and disinfection are duly enforced;

WHEREAS, as of this date, in Kansas there have been 4,238 reported positive cases of COVID-19 spread among 80 counties, including 129 deaths;

WHEREAS, as of this date, Jefferson County, Kansas has had 9 reported positive cases of COVID-19;

WHEREAS Governor Laura Kelly issued Executive Order 20-29 ("EO 20-29") on April 30, 2020 imposing continued extensive statewide restrictions on business activity and public gatherings;

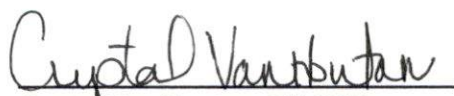
WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Health Officer encourages all Jefferson County citizens to comply with Governor Laura Kelly's EO 20-29 and follow the public health recommendations of the Center for Disease Control and Kansas Department of Health and Environment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Local Health Officer, pursuant to K.S.A. 65-119, the following additional restrictions are imposed in Jefferson County:

Any business that serves prepared food or drink shall:

1. cease self-service of unpackaged food or beverages, such as hot bars, salad bars, buffets, or beverage stations; and
2. maintain adequate social distancing of 6 feet between tables and dining groups.

This order shall become effective on May 4, 2020 on 12:00 A.M. and continue in effect until rescinded, expanded, or modified by separate order of the local health officer, or May 18, 2020 at 12:00 A.M., whichever date is earlier in time.



Crystal Van Houtan, RN, BSN
Jefferson County Health Officer

Dated: May 1, 2020
Effective: May 4, 2020 at 12:00 A.M.