

Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health

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RECORD OF DECISION – CMOH Order 47-2021

Re: 2021 COVID-19 Response – Modification of Record of Decision CMOH Order 44-2021

Whereas I, Dr. Deena Hinshaw, Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) have initiated an investigation into the existence of COVID-19 within the Province of Alberta.

Whereas the investigation has confirmed that COVID-19 is present in Alberta and constitutes a public health emergency as a novel or highly infectious agent that poses a significant risk to public health.

Whereas under section 29(2.1) of the *Public Health Act* (the Act), I have the authority by order to prohibit a person from attending a location for any period and subject to any conditions that I consider appropriate, where I have determined that the person engaging in that activity could transmit an infectious agent. I also have the authority to take whatever other steps that are, in my opinion, necessary in order to lessen the impact of the public health emergency.

Whereas a state of public health emergency for the province of Alberta was declared on September 15, 2021.

Whereas I have made Record of Decision - CMOH Order 44-2021 on September 23, 2021.

Whereas having determined that additional measures are necessary to protect Albertans from exposure to COVID-19 and to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and it is, therefore necessary to revise Record of Decision - CMOH Order 44-2021.

I hereby make the following order effective October 6, 2021:

- 1. Part 4 is amended by adding section 4.8.1 after section 4.8 as follows:
 - 4.8.1 Despite this Part, a person is not required to maintain a physical distance of two metres from any other person if all persons who are less than two metres from each other are separated from every other person by a physical barrier that prevents droplet transmission.
- 2. Part 7 is amended by deleting section 7.4 and substituting the following:
 - 7.4 A private social gathering may occur at an outdoor public or private place with: (a) twenty persons or less; or

- (b) two hundred persons or less if the private social gathering is for the purposes of a wedding ceremony or reception or a funeral service or reception.
- 3. Part 10 is amended by deleting section 10.3 and substituting the following:
 - 10.3 An operator of a food-serving business or entity that offers or provides outdoor food and beverage services must:
 - (a) limit the number of persons seated at the same table to a maximum of six persons for persons who are members of same household and a maximum of three persons for persons who reside on their own;
 - (b) require persons to remain seated while consuming food or beverages and must prohibit persons seated at a table or standing at a standing table from interacting with persons seated at a different table or standing at a different standing table; and
 - (c) where it is not possible for persons seated at a table or standing at a standing table to maintain 2 metres physical distance from any persons seated at another table or standing at another standing table, ensure there is a physical barrier that prevents droplet transmission between the tables or standing tables.

This Order remains in effect until rescinded by the Chief Medical Officer of Health.

Signed on this 7th day of October 2021.

Deena Hinshaw, MD

Chief Medical Officer of Health

