



BOARD OF HEALTH AGENDA

September 23, 2020, 5:15 PM
Virtual Meeting

Board of Health 2020-2024 Goals:

*Maintain Health Department's fiscal stability
Support and advocate for public health priorities
Review new and changing community/Health Dept priorities
Ongoing Board of Health improvements*

Health Department Mission:

Promoting health and safety for all Eau Claire communities

Health Department Vision:

ECCCHD will be a leader in assuring healthy people in healthy communities

Location: Remote Meeting via Webex Events

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1. Call to Order. Welcome Guests. Order of the Agenda. Request to pull items from Consent Agenda— 5 minutes
 - a. Introduction and welcome BOH member – Mark Kaeding
2. Public Comment-*The Board of Health and Eau Claire City-County Health Department welcome you. Statements pertinent to agenda items may be made by attendees during the public comment section. We do ask that statements are limited to three minutes per person. Written comments may also be provided.* -
3. Consent Agenda (Action Required-approved for full content)-5 minutes
 - a. Approval of minutes from September 14, 2020 meeting-enclosed
 - b. Approval of minutes from August 26, 2020 meeting-enclosed
4. Business Item (Action Required) -15 minutes
 - a. Review and receive COVID-19 Prevention and Control Orders 9/3/2020 and 9/18/2020-enclosed
5. Other information items from staff for the Board-20 minutes
 - a. Director/Health Officer Report-enclosed
 - b. Correspondence/Media-enclosed
 - c. 2021 Budget update – verbal
6. Board member informational items-15 minutes
 - a. Board of Health Advocacy/Policy-

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- WPHA-WALHDAB Public Affairs committee update-verbal

7. Requests from Board members for future agenda items to be given consideration—5 minutes
8. Confirm Fall 2020 BOH meeting dates – November 11th and December 9th
9. Next business meeting – **October 28, 2020 5:15 p.m.**
10. Adjourn

**September 14, 2020 Board of Health Meeting
Virtual Meeting**

The Board of Health convened in open session at 3:30 pm
The meeting was called to order by Mery Price

**Board Members Present
Quorum is reached**

Mery Price
Jennifer Eddy
Liz Spencer
Emily Berge
Don Bodeau
Martha Nieman

**Board Members
Absent:**

Terry Miskulin

Staff Members Present:

Lieske Giese
Tegan Ruland
Gina Holt (recorder)

Additional Panelists:

Janessa Stromberger
Tim Sullivan
Dale Peters
Kathryn Shauf

Janessa Stomberger, Assistant City Attorney, speaks to the intent of the ordinances being reviewed by the BOH today.

Public Comment:

- Public Comments are presented to the Board

Business Item

- a. Review and provide input to City of Eau Claire and Eau Claire County Ordinances related to Communicable Disease General Orders.
 - Typically, general orders are done at a state or national level which is why this is not something that has been done locally in the past. Basic state statutes frame what we do in communicable disease every day. The primary components of the ordinances include language related to procedural and substantive safeguards as well as enforcement authority. The language in each ordinance walks through those primary frames. To date there have been conversations across the state regarding local communicable disease ordinances. The WCA (Wisconsin Counties Association) partnered with many statewide counties to look at ordinances and talked through the need for local measures. The National Network for Public Health Law and other national experts provided input on the ordinance. The board of health is being asked to provide input for these ordinances as the governing body. Proposed next steps are: 09/22/20 First reading Eau Claire City Council, 10/06/20 First reading Eau Claire County Board, 10/12/20 Eau Claire City Council Public Comment, 10/13/20 Eau Claire City Council Action, 10/22/20 Eau Claire County Board Action.
 - BOH discussion: The BOH reviewed the ordinances presented. Conversation related to these ordinances not increasing the health officer authority related to communicable disease prevention or control but does allow citation authority. BOH members also reviewed and discussed public comment/questions, clarified some of language used in ordinances, discussed BOH role, discussed the challenges of potential lack of agreement between City/County, and discussed challenges of publication.
 - BOH president summarized BOH feedback/input and indicated she would present this to the City of Eau Claire and Eau Claire County for consideration following an affirmative vote by the BOH.

Motion to Review and provide input to City of Eau Claire and Eau Claire County Ordinances related to Communicable Disease General Orders: Jennifer Eddy

2nd Motion: Liz Spencer

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Liz Spencer, Don Bodeau, Emily Berge, Merey Price

Next scheduled BOH meeting is September 23, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

Merey Price adjourned the meeting at 5: 40 p.m.

DRAFT

September 16, 2020

TO: Kathryn Schauf, Dale Peters

FR: Merey Price

RE: Eau Claire City Council and County Board Ordinances related to Communicable Disease General Orders

Based on the 9/14/20 Eau Claire Board of Health meeting, as president of the Board I would like to offer the following summary of our recommendations to the Eau Claire City Council and Eau Claire County Board for their consideration. The Board of Health unanimously passed the motion regarding these recommendations.

Undoubtedly all involved want to protect the health of the community. However, as the governing body of the Health Department, according to state statute the Board of Health has responsibility for protecting the health of the public. In both the City and County proposed communicable disease ordinances there are two areas we believe could negatively impact the public's health.

In a situation where the City Council and County Board do not agree on the appropriateness of a general order and one body approves while the other does not, that will create a patchwork of expectations and enforcement that will add confusion, questions and ultimately impact the effectiveness of managing the communicable disease.

The other area of concern is the potential delay of necessary public health action during a crisis when timing will be critical. The requirement for publication limited to the local newspaper could mean a delay since the local paper is no longer published 7 days/week. Language in the ordinance related to official publication being as soon as possible would best protect the public.

During the midst of this pandemic, we recognize there is a wide variance in public opinion and beliefs about COVID-19. Nonetheless, you can be assured that the local health officer, Health Department and Board of Health will continue to support the public's health using the best public health principles and practices available. We also appreciate the heavy responsibility for any person or group involved in making public health decisions and always stand ready to assist.

Thank you.

**August 26, 2020 Board of Health Meeting
Virtual Meeting**

The Board of Health convened in open session at 5:20 pm
The meeting was called to order by Mery Price

**Board Members Present
Quorum is reached**

Terry Miskulin
Jennifer Eddy
Mery Price
Martha Nieman
Liz Spencer

Board Members Absent:

Emily Berge
Don Bodeau

Staff Members Present:

Lieske Giese
Marisa Stanley
Janice Vinopal
Tegan Ruland
Gina Holt (recorder)
Jeff Robb
Matt Steinbach

Order of Agenda Request to pull items from Consent Agenda

- None made

Public Comment:

- Guests welcomed by the Board of Health President
- Public comments received

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes from July 22, 2020 meeting
- Approval of Americorp/Healthcorp member fee for one-year position-(per board member request the fact sheet will be updated to include African Americans and Native Americans in the paragraph with Collaborating with Health Department staff)
- Approve 2020-2021 Community Development Block Grant
- Approve DPH Tuberculosis (TB) Contract

Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Jennifer Eddy

2nd Motion: Liz Spencer

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Mery Price

Business Item

- Review and receive COVID-19 Prevention and Control Orders – 8/6 and 8/20
 - Metrics were discussed. 20 positive cases were reported on 8/26/2020.
 - We are looking at a variety of data models. The Harvard model, which is one of the models recommended at the state level, is composed of different risk levels. Red > 25 daily new cases per 100,000 people. Orange 10 to <25 daily new cases per 100,000 people. Yellow 1 to <10 daily new cases per 100,000 people. Green <1 daily new case per 100,000 people One primary measure to look at is the cases over 7-14 days.
 - Our goal is to be at 10 or fewer cases per day.
 - The recommendations based on risk factors remain consistent throughout the state, including physical distance of six feet apart.

- Health Department directors throughout the state are following consistent and risk-based recommendations, although many counties do not have orders.
- The Eau Claire order has been based on risk. We now have an order where no one is required to stay home. No specific activities are restricted.
- Our goal continues to be keeping the economy and activities happening as well as slowing spread of disease.
- We are equally concerned about social isolation as well as mental health concerns. This order is written deliberately to encourage people connecting and being physically active, while maintaining six feet of distancing.
- As schools open throughout the community, we will be monitoring data closely and after a few weeks we will have a better understanding of the trends and reevaluating next steps.
- Question and Answer from Board of Health members:
 - Q: Is Eau Claire County the only county with a specific distance of six feet written in the order? How do they apply this to sports?
 - A: Other counties recommend social distancing but may not have six feet specifically written in their order. The feedback that health departments have in other parts of the state has been consistent that high-risk level sports should not happen if there are high levels of disease
 - Q: Would it be possible to make an exception of the six feet for sports in this order?
 - A: That would be something that if requested by the board to be amended would be verified through the legal department.
 - Q: Who makes the decision if sports will be played? How could a contact sport be played with social distancing?
 - A: The decision is made by the superintendent as well as school leadership. The school would have to evaluate if sports or any activity is possible to do at six feet social distancing. If there is a way that any sport can be creatively done with the requirement of six feet distancing being met, they would be able to do that.
 - When do schools need to make the decision if fall sports will be played in the fall or moved to the spring?
 - A: September 1, 2020 is our understanding.
 - Q: What is an acceptable number of positive cases per day?
 - A: We are trying to hold at ten or fewer new cases per day.
 - Q: What is the sense with testing and are we testing enough?
 - A: We currently do not have a high level of testing and we are working with partners on this.
 - Q: What data points are being used?
 - A: We are part of the state data team and chose more than one data point to use because we need to look at the whole and how disease is spreading throughout the community. Reminder to look at metrics on website.
 - Q: What is an acceptable number of positives?
 - A: The goal continues to have the number of cases per week not drastically increase. We are trying to hold at ten new cases a day or under
 - Q: (statement) If unable to maintain six feet of distance while playing sports it is putting others at risk who are not playing sports. For example, teachers, staff, students who are not playing sports would possibly be exposed because of the sports teams not maintaining social distancing.

- Q: (Statement) While many emails received were opposed to the order, we did receive emails in support of it.
- Q: The moratorium on some team sports unevenly affects those who are economically challenged. Some families have the fortune and privilege to make different choices for their children but is difficult for those who can't do that. What evidence of mental health vs COVID risk factors can be measured? Does statistical evidence show an increase in local suicide rates during the epidemic? Board members request that sometime in the near future a rough look at increase in mental health rate/ suicide rates in the community be brought to the board.
 - A: We are tracking the negative impacts that happen in any large disaster event such as this. There is minimal real time local data on some health outcomes regarding COVID and mental health issues. The suicide rates have not had a dramatic increase during the pandemic that we are aware of. We have a close connection with the Department of Human Services on mental health issue.
- Q: Can you remind us of the other community partners involved in drafting the orders?
 - A: Our core focus has been the Respond Together Plan with the Incident Command team. We continue to work with Federal and State experts, as well as local resources. We are guided by input received across the community. The Chippewa Valley Economic Recovery Taskforce, leadership from schools, and others. The order is one very small part of the response. Most of the time spent with COVID 19 response outside of our disease work is around education and technical assistance to mitigate risk and pay attention to doing those commonsense things that we know need to happen. The writing of the order uses several measures, the data team reviews data and tracks trends, and then we talk through that as a team with the legal department's assistance. Our continued goal is to support slow spread of disease and we are getting to a place where we are seeing some positive results and we want that to continue.

Motion to Review and receive COVID-19 Prevention and Control Orders – 8/6 and 8/20 as presented by Health Department staff: Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Mery Price

- b. Approval of 2021 Health Department Fees
 - Question-has there been feedback, concerns, or issues that have been brought to management team? Answer-No feedback has been received. License holders receive advance notification regarding proposed fees. July 1 through June 30.
 - **Adopt BOH State Agent Program fee resolutions**
 - i. Resolution 20-01 Adopting fees for Retail Food Establishments and Mobile Food Processing Facilities
 - Flat fees

Motion to approve Resolution 20--01 Adopting fees for Retail Food Establishments and Mobile Food Processing Facilities as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Terry Miskulin

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

- ii. Resolution 20-02 Adopting fees for Swimming Pools and Recreational Facilities
 - Flat fees

Motion to approve Resolution 20-02 adopting fees for Swimming Pools and Recreational Facilities as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Terry Miskulin

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

- iii. Resolution 20--03 Adopting fees for Bed & Breakfast Establishments, Motels-Hotels, and Tourist Rooming Houses
 - Flat fees

Motion to approve Resolution 20-03 adopting fees for Bed & Breakfast Establishments, Motels-Hotels, and Tourist Rooming Houses as presented by Health

Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Terry Miskulin

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

- iv. Resolution 20-04 Adopting fees for Body Art Facilities
 - Flat fees

Motion to approve Resolution 20-04 adopting fees for Body Art Facilities as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Terry Miskulin

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

- v. Resolution 20--05 Adopting fees for Manufactured Home Communities
 - Flat Fees

Motion to approve Resolution 20--05 Adopting fees for Manufactured Home Communities as presented by Health Department Staff: Liz Spencer

2nd Motion: Terry Miskulin

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes; Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

- **Recommend approval to the City of Eau Claire Program Fees:**

- i. Recommend approval to the City of Eau Claire for Garbage Program Fees as presented by Health Department Staff.
 - This is a city fee that is recommended by the Board of Health.

Motion to Recommend approval to the City of Eau Claire for garbage Program Fee as presented by Health Department Staff: Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

- **Recommend approval of updated Family Planning Clinic Fee Setting Policy**

- i. Recommend approval of updated Family Planning Clinic Fee Setting Policy
 - We have typically brought a long list of fees for family planning that are challenging to calculate each year. We want to be able to purchase supplies as cheaply as possible while following state guidelines.
 - Because we set the fees the prior year the flexibility to adjust how the cost is either passed along as an increase or decrease is affected.

Motion to Recommend approval of updated Family Planning Clinic Fee Setting Policy as presented by Health Department Staff as presented by Health Department Staff:

Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

o **Approval of all 2020 Health Department fees**

- i. Approval of 2020 Health Department fees
 - We have presented a fee schedule that is primarily flat. There are challenges with covering actual costs. We don't know how this will play out in 2021. This seemed like the best way to strike a balance with all of the unknowns.
 - A lot of data is used to complete our cost analysis for programs.

Motion to approve 2020 Health Department Fees and State Agent Program resolutions as presented by Health Department Staff: Jennifer Eddy

2nd Motion: Martha Nieman

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

c. 2019 Year End Financial report-close out 2019 budget

- Nothing has changed since the start of the preliminary report of 2019.

Motion to receive final 2019 Year End Financial Report as presented by Health Department Staff: Terry Miskulin

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

d. Approve Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Strategic Prevention Framework Partnership for Success Grant

- We have applied for and created different strategies to continue to fund the work with youth and substance abuse prevention.
- This supports our work with the Alliance.

Motion to approve Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Strategic Prevention Framework Partnership for Success Grant as presented by Health Department Staff: Martha Nieman

2nd Motion: Jennifer Eddy

Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)

Ayes: Jennifer Eddy, Martha Nieman, Terry Miskulin, Liz Spencer, Merey Price

Other policy and informational items from staff for the Board

- a. Director/Health Officer Report
 - Discussion regarding inequities.
- b. COVID – 19 Situational Update
 - The jail testing was voluntary. It was offered to staff and those who are residing in the jail. The turnout was less than what was hoped for. 36% who were currently housed were tested.
 - We had a person with lived experience reach out to inmates and put together a very strong statement encouraging inmates to be tested.
- c. Correspondence/Media
 - No discussion
- d. Service Recognition-enclosed
 - Daniel Peterson, Environmental Health Specialist/Lead, 35 years
- e. 2021 Budget Status report
 - The department has compiled and submitted the county administration the format that they request for the county budget. Copies will be shared with board members.
 - A meeting next week with City/County partners to talk through levy. More information will be known after that meeting takes place. The levy proportion the % that the City and County covers is again changing.

Board member informational items

- a. Board of Health Advocacy/Policy –
 - WPHA/WALHDAB Legislative Update
- b. Wisconsin Counties Association update
 - <https://www.wicounties.org/blog/wca-public-health-guidance-released/>
 - https://www.wicounties.org/uploads/legislative_documents/guidance-communicable-diseases-final.pdf
 - WPHA and WALHDAB are focused on the election. The platform is being developed and will be given to whomever is elected.

Requests from Board members for future agenda items to be given consideration

- a. None made

Next scheduled BOH meeting is September 23, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

Merey Price adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

**Fact Sheet –09/23/2020 Board of Health Meeting****Agenda Item 4.a****Review and receive COVID-19 Prevention and Control Orders****9/3/20 and 9/18/20**

Following the end of the State of Wisconsin COVID-19 Safer at Home Order, the Eau Claire City-County Health Department Director drafted and signed a local Public Health Emergency Order based on the COVID-19 data and public health best practice for the prevention and control of a communicable disease pandemic under the authority of State Statute 252. This order has been subsequently updated based on the current data and continues to provide guidance and mandates during this active pandemic. The BOH, as the policy body for the health department has received updates on the original Order and subsequent revisions at each monthly Board of Health meeting.

The Order is based on metrics that are tracked and posted weekly <https://coronavirus-and-covid-19-information-hub-eccounty.hub.arcgis.com/pages/local-statistics> and decisions are framed by the Responding Together Eau Claire COVID-19 Plan <https://www.eauclairewi.gov/Home/ShowDocument?id=32685>.

The Board of Health through State Statute and local ordinance has policy authority for the department, oversees operations of the department, and has control over the appointment of the Health Officer.

In a Public Health Emergency the BOH is responsible for review of the action of the Health Officer including oversight of the Public Health Emergency Order. The BOH is also responsible for the review of policy documents (attached policy).

Staff Recommendation: Review and Receive the most current COVID-19 Public Health Order.

EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL ORDER
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 3, 2020

WHEREAS, on December 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus was detected, a virus that causes a disease now named COVID-19, and it has spread throughout the world, including every state in the United States;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 to be a Public Health Emergency of International Concern;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President proclaimed a National Emergency in response to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, millions of people around the world have tested positive for COVID-19, including over 6 million people in the United States, and more than 81,000 people in Wisconsin;

WHEREAS, as a novel disease with no certain immunity and no vaccination currently available all of the population is at risk;

WHEREAS, physical contact and close proximity to other individuals may cause the spread of COVID-19, thereby endangering the public and placing undue strain on the healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, “physical distancing”, meaning a distance of six (6) feet is maintained between all individuals, is a public health tool that may be used to limit the spread of disease;

WHEREAS, it is essential to use all available tools as is reasonable and necessary to stop the transmission of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is present throughout Wisconsin, including in Eau Claire County with 838 people testing positive and six deaths as of the date of this order;

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the Eau Claire County population has one or more of the risk-factors that increase the likelihood of hospitalization or death if infected including factors related to age and chronic health conditions;

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Law provides broad authority and power for local health officials to prevent, control, and suppress COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 252.03(1) provides that every local health officer “*shall promptly take all measures necessary to prevent, suppress and control communicable diseases*”;

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 252.03(2) provides that local health officers “*may do what is reasonable and necessary for prevention and suppression of disease*”;

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 252.03(2) also provides that local health officers “*may forbid public gatherings when deemed necessary to control outbreaks or epidemics*”;

WHEREAS, a coordinated approach across political boundaries is needed to combat COVID-19, and people and businesses in Eau Claire County will benefit from a unified, consistent, evidence-based approach;

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Orders were working to control the spread of disease across the state including in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, as required by Wis. Stat. § 252.03(1), the Eau Claire City-County Health Department investigated the circumstances of COVID-19 appearing locally and made a full report to the Eau Claire City-County Board of Health on April 22, 2020 and at all subsequent Board of Health meetings, and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services via required electronic disease reporting;

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services provides communicable disease prevention and control and social distancing guidelines informed by Wisconsin public health experts and consistent with recommendations by the President and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control;

WHEREAS, based on the specific circumstances in Eau Claire County and my investigation of COVID-19 in Eau Claire County I have determined that this order is necessary to prevent the spread of, suppress, and control COVID-19 in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, this order is intended to replace and update the **EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL ORDER** effective August 20, 2020 in order to best address the local conditions of COVID-19 in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, the Responding Together Eau Claire COVID-19 Progress Plan outlines the mitigation strategies and progression of these strategies necessary for the control of rapid spread of disease.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Elizabeth Giese, director and health officer for Eau Claire County including the City of Eau Claire, by the authority vested in me by the Laws of the State, including but not limited to Section 252.03 of the Wisconsin Statutes, order the following:

1. **Stay at home or place of residence.** All individuals present within the Eau Claire County are strongly encouraged to stay at home or at their place of residence, minimize travel out of this County, and keep the circle of connections minimal to decrease the spread of disease. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces other than their home or residence, they must at all times as reasonably possible maintain physical distancing of at least six (6) feet from any other person except that they do not need to maintain social distancing between individuals residing in a single living unit or household. If a resident travels outside their community and engages in activities that compromise physical distancing the resident should limit contact with non-household members for 14 days and monitor symptoms closely.

Individuals whose homes or residences are unsafe or become unsafe, such as victims of domestic violence, are urged to leave their home and stay at a safe alternative location.

For purposes of this Order, homes or residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units, dormitories, shelters, and similar facilities.

2. **Public spaces both indoors and outdoors and public buildings.**

Requirements.

All public space and public buildings, which shall include those buildings open to the public, shall meet the following public health and safety practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Comply with Physical Distancing Requirements of 6 feet between all individuals on the premises including but not limited to employees, customers, and members of the public and limit the number on the premises, both indoors and outdoors to meet this physical distance requirement, except for those contacts that are brief and incidental in nature. This shall not be construed to require physical distancing between individuals from the same household.
- Increase standards of facility cleaning and disinfection to limit worker and patron exposure to COVID-19, as well as adopting protocols to clean and disinfect in the event of a positive COVID-19 case in the workplace.

- Adopt policies to actively screen and prevent workers from entering the premises if they display COVID-19-like symptoms or have had contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 and consider policies that require face mask use by all workers.
- Adopt policies to actively screen and prevent customers, visitors, guests from entering the premises if they display COVID-19-like symptoms or have had contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 and consider policies that require face mask use by all customers, visitors, and guests.
- Reduce occupancy to 50% of posted occupancy.
- Establish lines to regulate entry in and exit, as well as other congregating locations, with markings for individuals to enable them to stand at least six feet apart from one another while waiting. Stores should also use alternatives to lines, including allowing customers to wait in their cars for a text message or phone call and scheduling pick-ups or entries to the store.
- Cooperate with Public Health investigations related to COVID-19 confirmed or suspected cases related to the business operations, including excluding employees based on public health recommendations and assisting public health with identifying and contacting contacts of cases.

One-on-One Personal Services Additional Requirements.

The following requirements shall, in addition to those above, apply to those one-on-one personal services that by their very nature cannot maintain six (6) foot physical distancing. This shall not provide an exception to those activities which may be performed without violating six (6) feet of physical distancing:

- Limit the number of clients in a facility at one time such that every client or household unit is provided with six (6) feet of physical distancing. There must be a minimum of six (6) feet of physical distancing between each work station.
- Obtain full contact information for all clients (to include full name, address, e-mail address, and phone number) with which the provider has had close contact so as to assist in any necessary contact tracing.
- Sanitize all chairs, equipment and tools between each client.
- Clients must wear face coverings when feasible based on the service being performed.
- Providers must wear a cloth face covering at all times when in close contact and the wearing of a face shield is recommended.
- Review symptoms of COVID-19 verbally with staff each day. Any staff experiencing symptoms shall be sent home and is encouraged to contact their health care provider for testing for

COVID-19.

- Review symptoms of COVID-19 verbally with all clients prior to service. If a client is experiencing any symptoms, decline service and recommend the client contact their health care provider for testing for COVID-19.
- Maintain compliance with all relevant regulatory or licensing requirements in addition the additional requirements provided herein.
- Consider the following recommendations:
 - Limit the number of clients each provider is in close contact with (to be defined as within six (6) feet) to no more than twenty (20) people per day.
 - Appointments should be scheduled in advance with no walk-in service provided.

Waiting areas should be closed; clients should wait in vehicles or outdoors while maintaining six (6) feet of physical distancing for their appointment.

Busing Requirements.

Mass transportation, such as buses and commercial vans are, by their nature, locations where individuals are likely to and by necessity are within six (6) feet of each other. When, in these forms of transportation, physical distance of six (6) feet cannot be maintained between all individuals, a capacity of 50% shall be observed in addition to the following requirements:

- Cloth face coverings shall be worn, unless medically unsafe to do so.
- Buses with set riders, such as those on a school bus route, shall have assigned seats and daily attendance shall be taken.
- Operators of mass transportation shall actively communicate with or screen riders regarding COVID-19-like symptoms prior to boarding.

Recommendations.

All public space and public buildings, which shall include those buildings open to the public, shall review and apply, as much as possible, the following public health and safety practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- To the greatest extent feasible, use technology to avoid meeting in person, including virtual meetings, teleconference, and remote work.
- Review the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation guidelines on safe business practices, available here: <https://wedc.org/reopen-guidelines/> and other applicable State of Wisconsin regulatory, industry-specific guidance.
- Consider establishing curbside pick-up to reduce in- store traffic and mitigate outdoor lines.

- Cease door-to-door solicitation.
- For any business without a posted occupancy, consider reducing occupancy by 50%.
- Restrict the number of workers present on premises to no more than is strictly necessary to perform operations and to ensure health and safety.
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All public gatherings permitted by this order, regardless of size, shall comply with all physical distancing and related requirements found in paragraph 2 above. Gatherings of any kind outside of a household unit shall exercise physical distancing and comply with all other requirements found in paragraph 2 above. Assigned or fixed seating is strongly encouraged.

Organizers of public gatherings permitted by this order shall document contact information of attendees for contact tracing purposes, to include each attendee's name, address, e-mail address, and phone number. Organizers shall actively screen and prevent attendance of individuals, including staff, volunteers, and attendees, who have symptoms of COVID-19.

Any private gathering is encouraged to follow all requirements of this section and paragraph 2 above, including maintaining 6 feet of distance between all individuals not from the same household.

4. **Follow DHS and CDC guidelines.** When taking any action permitted under this Order, all individuals, organizations, government bodies, and any other permitted group of individuals shall, to the extent possible, follow:

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5. **Elderly people and those who are vulnerable as a result of underlying health conditions should take additional precautions.** People at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and people who are sick are urged to stay in their home or residence to the extent possible except as necessary to seek medical care.
6. **Prevention of Disease Recommendations.** For purposes of this Order, all residents are strongly encouraged to follow these guidelines including:
 - a. Staying home when sick with any symptoms of COVID-19;
 - b. Maintaining distancing of six (6) feet between people;
 - c. Washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer;
 - d. Wearing a cloth face covering when physical distancing of six (6) feet cannot be maintained, including at entrances and exits to buildings, on public transit, and at store checkouts;

- e. Covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands);
 - f. Regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces;
 - g. Not shaking hands; and
 - h. Following all other public health recommendations issued by DHS and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control.
7. **Enforcement.** This Order is enforceable by any local law enforcement official. Violations may result in the issuance of citations. Nothing in this Order prevents DHS and local health officials from issuing and enforcing isolation and quarantine orders pursuant to Wis. Stat. ch. 252 and local ordinances.
8. **Severability.** If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.
9. **Duration.** This Order shall become effective on September 3rd, 2020 at 12:00am. This Order shall terminate on September 18th, 2020. It is anticipated that this order will be extended, unless metrics indicate loosening or restricting is necessary. Local metrics can be found at <https://www.eauclairewi.gov/Home/ShowDocument?id=32627>.

Any superseding or subsequent order shall be based upon public health best practices, review of all available data including the metrics at the link above, and may include the following indicia: downward trajectory of positive tests as a percent of total tests within a 14-day period; treatment of all patients without crisis care; community testing of all symptomatic individuals, individuals involved in an outbreak, and individuals living and working in congregate settings.



09/02/20

Elizabeth Giese

Date

Eau Claire City-County Health Department

EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL ORDER
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

WHEREAS, on December 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus was detected, a virus that causes a disease now named COVID-19, and it has spread throughout the world, including every state in the United States;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 to be a Public Health Emergency of International Concern;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President proclaimed a National Emergency in response to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, millions of people around the world have tested positive for COVID-19, including over 6.5 million people in the United States, and more than 92,000 people in Wisconsin;

WHEREAS, as a novel disease with no certain immunity and no vaccination currently available all of the population is at risk;

WHEREAS, physical contact and close proximity to other individuals may cause the spread of COVID-19, thereby endangering the public and placing undue strain on the healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, “physical distancing”, meaning a distance of six (6) feet is maintained between all individuals, is a public health tool that may be used to limit the spread of disease;

WHEREAS, it is essential to use all available tools as is reasonable and necessary to stop the transmission of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is present throughout Wisconsin, including in Eau Claire County with 1,336 people testing positive and six deaths as of the date of this order;

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the Eau Claire County population has one or more of the risk-factors that increase the likelihood of hospitalization or death if infected including factors related to age and chronic health conditions;

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Law provides broad authority and power for local health officials to prevent, control, and suppress COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 252.03(1) provides that every local health officer “*shall* promptly take *all* measures necessary to prevent, suppress and control communicable diseases”;

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 252.03(2) provides that local health officers “*may* do what is reasonable and necessary for prevention and suppression of disease”;

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 252.03(2) also provides that local health officers “may forbid public gatherings when deemed necessary to control outbreaks or epidemics”;

WHEREAS, a coordinated approach across political boundaries is needed to combat COVID-19, and people and businesses in Eau Claire County will benefit from a unified, consistent, evidence-based approach;

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Orders were working to control the spread of disease across the state including in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, as required by Wis. Stat. § 252.03(1), the Eau Claire City-County Health Department investigated the circumstances of COVID-19 appearing locally and made a full report to the Eau Claire City-County Board of Health on April 22, 2020 and at all subsequent Board of Health meetings, and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services via required electronic disease reporting;

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services provides communicable disease prevention and control and social distancing guidelines informed by Wisconsin public health experts and consistent with recommendations by the President and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control;

WHEREAS, based on the specific circumstances in Eau Claire County and my investigation of COVID-19 in Eau Claire County I have determined that this order is necessary to prevent the spread of, suppress, and control COVID-19 in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, this order is intended to replace and update the **EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL ORDER** effective September 3, 2020 in order to best address the local conditions of COVID-19 in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, the Responding Together Eau Claire COVID-19 Progress Plan outlines the mitigation strategies and progression of these strategies necessary for the control of rapid spread of disease.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Elizabeth Giese, director and health officer for Eau Claire County including the City of Eau Claire, by the authority vested in me by the Laws of the State, including but not limited to Section 252.03 of the Wisconsin Statutes, order the following:

- 1 Stay at home or place of residence.** All individuals present within the Eau Claire County are strongly encouraged to stay at home or at their place of residence, minimize travel out of this County, and keep the circle of connections minimal to decrease the spread of disease. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces other than their home or residence, they must at all times as reasonably possible maintain physical distancing of at least six (6) feet from any other person except that they do not need to maintain social distancing between individuals residing in a single living unit or household. If a resident travels outside their community and engages in activities that compromise physical distancing the resident should limit contact with non-household members for 14 days and monitor symptoms closely.

Individuals whose homes or residences are unsafe or become unsafe, such as victims of domestic violence, are urged to leave their home and stay at a safe alternative location.

For purposes of this Order, homes or residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units, dormitories, shelters, and similar facilities.

- 2 Public spaces both indoors and outdoors and public buildings.**

Requirements.

All public space and public buildings, which shall include those buildings open to the public, shall meet the following public health and safety practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Comply with Physical Distancing Requirements of 6 feet between all individuals on the premises including but not limited to employees, customers, and members of the public and limit the number on the premises, both indoors and outdoors to meet this physical distance requirement, except for those contacts that are brief and incidental in nature. This shall not be construed to require physical distancing between individuals from the same household.
- Consider prohibiting or not participating in activities that, by their very nature, encourage violation of Physical Distancing Requirements.
- Increase standards of facility cleaning and disinfection to limit worker and patron exposure to COVID-19, as well as adopting protocols to clean and disinfect in the event of a positive COVID-19 case in the workplace.

- Adopt policies to actively screen and prevent workers from entering the premises if they display COVID-19-like symptoms or have had contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 and consider policies that require face mask use by all workers.
- Adopt policies to actively screen and prevent customers, visitors, guests from entering the premises if they display COVID-19-like symptoms or have had contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 and consider policies that require face mask use by all customers, visitors, and guests.
- Reduce occupancy to 50% of posted occupancy.
- Establish lines to regulate entry in and exit, as well as other congregating locations, with markings for individuals to enable them to stand at least six feet apart from one another while waiting. Stores should also use alternatives to lines, including allowing customers to wait in their cars for a text message or phone call and scheduling pick-ups or entries to the store.
- Cooperate with Public Health investigations related to COVID-19 confirmed or suspected cases related to the business operations, including excluding employees based on public health recommendations and assisting public health with identifying and contacting contacts of cases.

One-on-One Personal Services Additional Requirements.

The following requirements shall, in addition to those above, apply to those one-on-one personal services that by their very nature cannot maintain six (6) foot physical distancing. This shall not provide an exception to those activities which may be performed without violating six (6) feet of physical distancing:

- Limit the number of clients in a facility at one time such that every client or household unit is provided with six (6) feet of physical distancing. There must be a minimum of six (6) feet of physical distancing between each work station.
- Obtain full contact information for all clients (to include full name, address, e-mail address, and phone number) with which the provider has had close contact so as to assist in any necessary contact tracing.
- Sanitize all chairs, equipment and tools between each client.
- Clients must wear face coverings when feasible based on the service being performed.
- Providers must wear a cloth face covering at all times when in close contact and the wearing of a face shield is recommended.
- Review symptoms of COVID-19 verbally with staff each day. Any staff experiencing symptoms

shall be sent home and is encouraged to contact their health care provider for testing for COVID-19.

- Review symptoms of COVID-19 verbally with all clients prior to service. If a client is experiencing any symptoms, decline service and recommend the client contact their health care provider for testing for COVID-19.
- Maintain compliance with all relevant regulatory or licensing requirements in addition the additional requirements provided herein.
- Consider the following recommendations:
 - Limit the number of clients each provider is in close contact with (to be defined as within six (6) feet) to no more than twenty (20) people per day.
 - Appointments should be scheduled in advance with no walk-in service provided.

Waiting areas should be closed; clients should wait in vehicles or outdoors while maintaining six (6) feet of physical distancing for their appointment.

Busing Requirements.

Mass transportation, such as buses and commercial vans are, by their nature, locations where individuals are likely to and by necessity are within six (6) feet of each other. When, in these forms of transportation, physical distance of six (6) feet cannot be maintained between all individuals, a capacity of 50% shall be observed in addition to the following requirements:

- Cloth face coverings shall be worn, unless medically unsafe to do so.
- Buses with set riders, such as those on a school bus route, shall have assigned seats and daily attendance shall be taken.
- Operators of mass transportation shall actively communicate with or screen riders regarding COVID-19-like symptoms prior to boarding.

Recommendations.

All public space and public buildings, which shall include those buildings open to the public, shall review and apply, as much as possible, the following public health and safety practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- To the greatest extent feasible, use technology to avoid meeting in person, including virtual meetings, teleconference, and remote work.
- Review the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation guidelines on safe business

practices, available here: <https://wedc.org/reopen-guidelines/> and other applicable State of Wisconsin regulatory, industry-specific guidance.

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09/17/2020

Elizabeth Giese

Date

Eau Claire City-County Health Department

Board of Health Meeting 09/23/2020

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Eau Claire City-County Health Department Report to the Board of Health

Staff Updates:

Grace Huftel has joined the Health Department team in the Community Health Promotion Division as an Americorps Member. She has recently graduated from UWEC with a degree in Psychology and Sociology and a minor in Mathematics. Grace will be working with the Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention to engage the community at large in community-based prevention efforts.

Aimee Gillespie has joined our Health Department team as our new AmeriCorps Member for the 2020-2021 program year. Aimee previously was an Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Community Health Intern at the Health Department in the summer of 2018. We are excited to have her back at the Health Department! Her work will focus on health equity, communication/outreach (with an emphasis on our WIC and Family Planning Clinics), and volunteer recruitment/retention with Eau Claire Healthy Communities.

Gina Holt passed the AAPC's (Advancing the Practice of Healthcare) CPPM Exam. This practice manager training course teaches fundamental skills for managing a physician's practice. The training is recommended for those who are ready to advance their careers in practice management, billing, coding, or management experience in a medical clinic. The advanced knowledge, skills, and expertise gained from this course will be beneficial in Gina's Program Specialist role within the family planning clinic.

Accreditation Year 2 Annual Report – Policy and Systems

Our year 2 PHAB Accreditation was completed in July. The year 2 annual report focused on our work in the last year around quality improvement, performance management, customer feedback and work on emerging areas. The goal of the annual report is to help us prepare for re-accreditation. We have received feedback from PHAB on strengths and areas for improvement related to the year 1 report. This feedback will be taken to the QI team and management team.

Environmental Sciences – Annual Beach Summary

ECCCHD recently completing its seasonal monitoring of the county's beaches. Collectively, the beaches in Eau Claire County were closed for a total of 83 days in 2020 due to elevated bacteria. Each of the official beaches in Eau Claire County was closed at least once. Lake Altoona Beach led the way with 4 closures totaling 28 days. Harmful algae blooms also occurred in 2020, as 2 advisories were issued. These blooms occurred at Lake Eau Claire in the beginning of July lasting for a period of 3 days, and at Lake Altoona at the end of July-beginning of August lasting for a period of 10 days.

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 August 2020 Media Contacts**

INTERVIEW

8/3/2020	Title: LIVE: August 3, 2020-Eau Claire's COVID-19 incident updates with Luke Fedie and Janet Loomis	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.facebook.com/eauclairehealth/videos/1163416904014069/	
8/5/2020	Title: LIVE: Incident Update for August 5, 2020	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.facebook.com/eauclairehealth/videos/285096969466300/	
8/10/2020	Title: LIVE: August 10, 2020-Eau Claire's COVID-19 incident updates with Luke Fedie, Behavioral Health Admi	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.facebook.com/eauclairehealth/videos/218447906211044/	
8/11/2020	Title: Vaping and E-Cigerttes prohibited in certain indoor spaces in Eau Claire	Topic: Healthy Living and Prevention Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.weau.com/2020/08/12/vaping-and-e-cigarettes-prohibited-in-certain-indoor-spaces-in-eau-claire/	
8/11/2020	Title: Vaping Ordinance	Topic: Healthy Living and Prevention Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: NOT AVAILABLEhttps://www.weau.com/2020/08/12/vaping-and-e-cigarettes-prohibited-in-certain-indoor-spaces-in-eau-claire/	
8/12/2020	Title: Vaping now banned in Eau Claire indoor public spaces	Topic: Healthy Living and Prevention Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://wqow.com/2020/08/12/vaping-now-banned-in-eau-claire-indoor-public-spaces/	
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	Link: https://wqow.com/2020/08/12/vaping-now-banned-in-eau-claire-indoor-public-spaces/	
8/12/2020	Title: LIVE: August 12, 2020 Eau Claire's COVID-19 incident updates	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.facebook.com/eauclairehealth/videos/2740396432950055/	

8/14/2020	Title: Will high risk sports be allowed in Eau Claire County? Still no clear answer	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.weau.com/2020/08/14/will-high-risk-sports-be-allowed-in-eau-claire-county-still-no-clear-answer/	
8/14/2020	Title: EAU CLAIRE SCHOOL BOARD TO DEFINE ACCEPTABLE MASKS FOR FALL	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: AUDREY BOERNER
	Link: https://wqow.com/2020/08/14/eau-claire-school-board-to-define-acceptable-masks-for-fall/	
8/17/2020	Title: LIVE: August 17, 2020-Eau Claire's COVID-19 Updates and Heidi Eliopolous, Altoona School District Su	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.facebook.com/eauclairehealth/videos/1048789088856999/	
8/19/2020	Title: LIVE: Incident updates for August 19, 2020	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Lieske Giese
	Link: https://www.facebook.com/eauclairehealth/videos/610299239653614/	
8/21/2020	Title: COVID-19 exposures reported at Eau Claire bars as college students return to town	Topic: Other Staff: Jeff Robb
	Link: https://www.weau.com/2020/08/21/covid-19-exposures-reported-at-eau-claire-bars-as-college-students-return-to-town/	
8/27/2020	Title: Golfing through the pandemic	Topic: Healthy Living and Prevention Staff: Brenda Scheurer
	Link: https://www.weau.com/2020/08/28/golfing-through-the-pandemic/	
9/3/2020	Title: EC County reminding residents with well water to test yearly	Topic: Safe Food and Water Staff: Audrey Boerner
	Link: https://wqow.com/2020/09/03/ec-county-reminding-residents-with-well-water-to-test-yearly/	

PRINT ARTICLE

8/1/2020	Title: Heat Safety for Older Adults	Topic: Healthy Living and Prevention Staff: Paulette Magur
	Link: Not Available	
9/1/2020	Title: Flu	Topic: Communicable Disease Staff: Allison Gosbin
	Link: Not Available	