May 18, 2020

The Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services, finding it necessary to protect public health and prevent the further spread of COVID-19, pursuant to the authority granted under section 192.020, RSMo, and 19 CSR 20-20.040, hereby orders the following:

All congregate living facilities in this State that have a positive polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test on one or more residents or one or more staff members, who physically worked at such facility within fourteen days prior to testing positive, shall within 24 hours of learning of such positive test result, submit the required information found at https://health.mo.gov/covid/facilityreporting to the Department of Health and Senior Services and any information required by the local health authority serving the facility.

For the purposes of this Order “congregate living facility” means, a facility where persons reside and shares common spaces with other residents. “Congregate living facility” shall include, but is not limited to, residential care facilities, assisted living facilities, intermediate care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, jails, prisons, mental health facilities, dormitories, and resident summer camps. “Congregate living facility” shall not include hospitals, apartments or condominiums.

This Order will take effect immediately and remain in effect for the duration of the effective period of the State of Emergency relating to COVID-19.

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Director