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PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER ISSUED BY IONIA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

SCREENING AND LIMITATION OF PEOPLE AT CHILDCARE FACILITIES

1. I, Ken Bowen, am the Health Officer for Ionia County and possess all the powers of the Health Officer under the Michigan Public Health Code.
2. COVID-19 is a highly infectious, communicable virus that is an imminent threat to public health as that term is used in the Michigan Public Health Code, MCL 333.5201 et. seq.
3. Governor Whitmer has Declared a State of Emergency due to the presence of COVID-19 in the State of Michigan and threat presented by COVID-19 to the public.

In my capacity as Health Officer for Ionia County, in order to mitigate the threat to public health presented by COVID-19,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Persons providing childcare services for compensation shall develop and implement a daily screening program for all staff, children, parents and legal guardians, and other visitors entering the facility.
2. The screening program must include the following questions:
 - a. Do you have any of the following symptoms:
 - i. New or worsening cough (excluding chronic cough due to known medical reason other than COVID-19);
 - ii. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing;
 - iii. Fever (100.4 degrees F or higher) as measured by a thermometer;
 - iv. Chills;



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- v. Muscle aches;
- vi. Sore throat; or
- vii. Loss of taste or smell

b. procedures must be in place to safely take the temperature of all covered individuals referenced in Paragraph 1 of this Order.

3. Persons demonstrating symptoms as described above shall not be allowed to enter or return into the facility until they have been fever-free for 24 hours (1 day) without the use of fever-reducing medications (for example Tylenol® or Motrin®), 10 days have passed since the onset of symptoms, and all symptoms are improving.
4. Restrict all non-essential visitors from entering the childcare facility.
5. The contents of this Order shall be published at the entrance of the facility and to the members of the public at large by all reasonable means available.
6. The Public Health Order issued by this Department on March 23, 2020 imposed similar restrictions. The Order issued on March 23, 2020 is rescinded and replaced by this Order. This Order imposes substantially identical requirements but updates the requirements based on new health information. This Order shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until the Health Officer of Ionia County rescinds this Order.
7. This Order may be enforced by all methods allowed by law.

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