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Delta, Colorado, May 22, 2020 – Delta County Daily Update

UPDATED Testing Information: Delta County Health Department is reporting 4 new cases; our total case county is now at 61, with 58 individuals now recovered. The additional cases are being reported by Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment during the ongoing investigation to determine any additional cases that were associated with the outbreak in another county; these four cases were identified as probable cases associated with that outbreak, and have fully recovered.

- 58: Female, in her 30's, self-isolated and fully recovered
- 59: Female, in her 40's, self-isolated and fully recovered
- 60: Female, in her 30's, self-isolated and fully recovered
- 61: Male, in his 40's, self-isolated and fully recovered

36 individuals have tested positive; 25 individuals have been in close contact with an individual who tested positive, and have experienced COVID-19 symptoms, and one death is being reported.

To date, 856 tests have been administered in Delta County; 88 tests are pending.

Delta County Update

Delta County is confirming that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has approved the variance that was submitted by Delta County on Monday, May 11; this is outstanding news for Delta County!

The partial opening opportunities offered by this local variance are completely voluntary; any businesses that choose to reopen must do so under the following guidelines for each category. Below is a small portion of the guidance for each category.

Restaurants and Dining Rooms

- Restaurants shall limit the number of customers seated at interior dining spaces to 30% of the occupancy rate as dictated by fire code.
- **BARS WILL REMAIN CLOSED**, including those that are a part of restaurants; no guests are permitted in the bar area.
- Customers are not permitted to wait in lobby area, or form a line to wait for a table; restaurants should consider a reservation-only business model.
- Any exterior seating must adhere to the same social distancing and cleaning/sanitizing guidelines.
- Group party size is limited to six (6) members of single household
- All restaurant and dining room playground shall remain closed.

Fitness Facilities

- Facility access restricted to staffed hours only and occupancy will be limited to maintain 6 ft. social distancing with no more than 30% of occupancy capacity per exercise room as dictated by fire code.
- Social Distancing guidelines must be implemented.
- **Showers, locker rooms, and lockers will remain closed until further notice.**
- **Swimming pools, hot tubs, and saunas will remain closed.**
- **Basketball courts, racquetball courts, will remain closed**, as well as any other places where formal or informal group team sports occur.
- Cardio machines usage restricted and based on social distancing guidelines.
- **Youth and adult leagues / sports should remain closed.**
- Customer screening for illness upon entry into facility.



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Places of Worship

- Places of worship may have up to **30% of occupancy rate as dictated by the fire code but no greater than 50 participants**.
- A minimum of 6 ft. in distance must be maintained at all times seated or standing.
- Participants should be questioned as to COVID-19 symptoms; if symptomatic they must refrain from attending, and self-isolate for 7-10 days.

For the full Delta County Public Health Order 2020-01 and variance guidelines please visit:

<https://www.deltacounty.com/DocumentCenter/Index/245>

Mental Health Assistance:

- Center for Mental Health: 970-252-6220 or text "Talk" to 38255
- A KIDZ Clinic: 970-874-2753 or Text: 970-901-0445
- Families Plus: 970-874-0464 or Text: 970-433-6835
- Colorado Crisis Hotline: 844-493-TALK (8255) or Text "Talk" to 38255

Delta County Resources:

- www.deltacounty.com/COVID-19
- deltahospital.org/getpage.php?ame=Novel_Coronavirus_%28COVID-19%29
- <https://covid19.colorado.gov/>
- cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html