

## MANDATORY ISOLATION AGREEMENT



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**In re: 2019-Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)**  
**STANDING PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR'S ORDER**  
**FOR ISOLATION OF COVID-19 POSITIVE CASE**

**WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2020 the World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, advising that further cases may appear in any country; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public health emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 7, 2020, the Governor of the State of New York declared a State of Emergency by Executive Order 202 as a result of the spread of COVID-19 in the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America, declared a National Emergency as a result of the spread of COVID-19 in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, as of November 26, 2021, the Governor of the State of New York declared a State of Emergency by Executive Order 11 as a result of heightened rates of transmission of COVID-19 not seen in the State of New York since April 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §2100 and §2120 of the New York State Public Health Law and §2.6 of the State Sanitary Code, the Niagara County Department of Health is authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to mitigate morbidity and mortality and to prevent transmission of disease to other persons; and

**WHEREAS**, April 2020, the New York State Department of Health has issued "[2019 Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Interim Containment Guidance: Precautionary Quarantine, Mandatory Quarantine and Mandatory Isolation Applicable to all Local Health Departments \(LHD\)](#)"; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 4, 2022, the New York State Department of Health has issued "[Interim Updated Isolation and Quarantine Guidance](#)" and

**WHEREAS**, 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) has been declared a communicable disease by the New York State Health Commissioner pursuant to §2.1(a) of the New York State Sanitary Code (10 NYCRR Chapter 1), and a reportable condition to the Niagara County Department of Health pursuant to §2101 of the New York State Public Health Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Niagara County Department of Health has received a report, pursuant to §2.10 of

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the State Sanitary Code and to §2101 of the New York State Public Health Law, that you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 and are awaiting testing or have tested positive for COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the Niagara County Department of Health has determined that, in order to mitigate morbidity and mortality from COVID-19, you must be confined to your home under such conditions as will prevent transmission of COVID-19 to others.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me by section 2100 of the Public Health Law of the State of New York, as Public Health Director of the Niagara County Department of Health, I do hereby:

**ORDER that any person(s) experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 at the time they are tested for COVID-19 are required to remain isolated at home during the time between the specimen collection and the delivery of test results. Any person who receives a negative result may end isolation at that time; and**

**ORDER that any person who has tested positive for COVID-19 is required to remain isolated at home until such time as that individual meets their appropriate process for discontinuation of isolation as described in CDC guidance: [Ending isolation for people who had COVID-19 and had symptoms](#) or [Ending isolation for people who had COVID-19 but had no symptoms](#)**

The discontinuation of isolation regardless of whether the individual is symptomatic or asymptomatic, is:

- 1) the completion of at least 5 days of isolation from the onset of symptoms (if symptomatic) or 5 days of isolation after the first positive test (if asymptomatic and have remained asymptomatic), and
- 2) 24 hours with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications, and
- 3) COVID-19 symptoms are improving. A properly-fitting face mask must be worn around others for an additional 5 days (days 6-10 after onset of symptoms or positive test if asymptomatic) after completion of the isolation period.

**FURTHER, I DO HEREBY** give notice that the failure to comply with the provisions of this Order may subject an individual to criminal prosecution pursuant to the terms of Section 12-b of the Public Health Law;

**FURTHER, I DO HEREBY** give notice that this Order is the final administrative determination of the County of Niagara in this matter. You may challenge the final determination by commencing a proceeding in the New York State Supreme Court pursuant to Article 78 of the New York State Civil Practice Law and Rules.

**FURTHER, I DO HEREBY ORDER** that, this Standing Order shall remain in effect until revoked, in writing, by my hand.



Daniel Stapleton, MBA  
Public Health Director

01/05/2022

Date