Hello and welcome to the 2020 Glendale Legislative Link Program.

Below is a summary of the latest actions taken by Governor Ducey and the State of Arizona to mitigate the social and economic impact of COVID-19. This information was shared by the Governor's Office. Yesterday, the Arizona Department of Health Services updated its Business Dashboard used to determine county-specific levels of spread of COVID-19 and inform operations of certain businesses. Based on the benchmarks, the following counties have now moved from substantial community spread to "moderate" or "minimal" community spread:

- Apache
- Cochise
- Coconino
- Greenlee
- La Paz
- Maricopa
- Navajo
- Pima
- Yavapai

What this means for businesses in counties with "moderate" or "minimal" community spread

Businesses in certain categories including indoor gyms and fitness centers, indoor theaters, water parks and tubing, bars and nightclubs providing dine-in service, may open in a limited capacity per the ADHS Business Guidance today. These businesses must complete and print the <u>ADHS reopening attestation</u> prior to opening for business. This process is instantaneous and the attestation must be posted in a conspicuous location at the business and available upon request. ADHS has a <u>database</u> containing all businesses that have completed the attestation.

All businesses should refer to the ADHS Business Guidelines to inform their operations.

What this means for businesses in counties with "substantial" community spread

Businesses such as indoor gyms, theaters, waterparks, and bars and nightclubs in counties that have not met reopening benchmarks may not begin operations today. These businesses may continue to complete the ADHS reopening attestation and complete an application that, once reviewed by ADHS, may permit them to reopen on a limited basis. Businesses that have their application denied will have an opportunity to resubmit an application or request an informal settlement conference. ADHS expects to post a public database that lists all gyms, theaters, waterparks, etc that have been approved to reopen through the informal settlement process, in counties with substantial spread shortly.

Compliance with COVID-19 business operations requirements

Even in counties with moderate or minimal community spread, adherence to the ADHS Business Guidelines is critical in maintaining the state's downward trajectory in COVID-19 cases. ADHS takes compliance with these measures very seriously, and we ask for your continued partnerships in ensuring these guidelines are followed.

On Wednesday, ADHS<u>announced</u> steps to identify and investigate any non-compliance by businesses that could jeopardize the public's health and safety. Measures include contracts with 11 counties to conduct complaint inspections, launch of a public<u>online complaint form</u>, and a new business compliance hotline to intake complaints (1-844-410-2157).

This compliance referral document outlines which state and local entities may take compliance action.

Testing

Percent positivity in counties remains a public health benchmark that informs reopening, and Arizona remains committed to testing across the state. An updated <u>Director's blog</u> posted Wednesday describes Arizona's approach.

Thank you again for your work and partnership. This <u>ADHS Business Dashboard</u> has detailed information about requirements for businesses, but please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you again for your participation in Glendale's Legislative Link Program.

Remember, you can watch committee hearings via the internet by going to the legislature's website and clicking on the live proceedings hyperlink located in the column on the left side of the page.

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