



### AMENDED EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4

Date: June 10, 2021

To: Pueblo of Laguna Residents, Membership, and All Persons

From: Governor John E. Antonio, Sr.

Re: **PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER**

When the COVID-19 pandemic began, the Pueblo of Laguna implemented a strategy of testing, contact tracing, and supported quarantine and isolation. As vaccines proved safe and effective, we aggressively pursued community-wide vaccination. 85-90% of eligible community members are now fully vaccinated. With better scientific understanding of how the virus is transmitted and guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), it is safe to adopt a strategy of extending vaccination as groups become eligible, maintaining careful self- and family- symptom monitoring, and lifting restrictions for those who are fully-vaccinated. Nonetheless, as widespread vaccination allows restrictions to be lifted, we must be prepared to re-evaluate and, if necessary, re-impose public health measures to avoid any new variants or spread of the virus.

This Amended Executive Order No. 4 is made under authority of the Declaration of Public Health Emergency ("Declaration") issued by the Governor on March 20, 2020 with the unanimous consent and support of the Pueblo Council. This Order supersedes all previous Executive Orders issued under the Declaration except where specifically stated in this Order. This Order applies to any person present within the Pueblo's jurisdiction, but nothing in this Order modifies or has any effect upon the COVID-19 related orders or any other law of another state or tribal jurisdiction. Violation of this order shall subject the violator to criminal prosecution and civil liability.

1. Fully-Vaccinated Individuals. Restrictions on the activities of Fully-Vaccinated Individuals are **removed**, *provided* that each adult monitor COVID-19 symptoms for themselves and their families and consult medical professionals when any such symptoms occur. "Fully-Vaccinated Individuals" are those people who have received a complete dose of a COVID-19 vaccine in accord with CDC guidelines, including any "booster" later determined necessary to protect against COVID-19 illness or transmission.
2. Un-Vaccinated Individuals. The following restrictions remain on the activities of Un-Vaccinated Individuals. "Un-Vaccinated Individuals" are those people who have not *completed* a recommended dose of a COVID-19 vaccine in accord with CDC guidelines, (or obtained a "booster" later determined necessary to protect against COVID-19 illness or transmission). Un-Vaccinated Individuals present within the jurisdiction of the Pueblo of Laguna **shall** adhere to the following COVID Safe Practices Rules:

- a. **Wear a properly-fitted face mask (preferably a KN95 facemask available from tribal offices) or multi-layer cloth covering their mouth and nose when outside their home, except** when eating, drinking, or exercising, subject to medical instructions to the contrary.
  - b. **Maintain a 3-foot physical distance from other people when outside their home.**
  - c. **Screen themselves and household members daily for COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, headache, muscle pain, loss of taste or smell, chills) and consult a medical professional when any such symptoms occur.**
3. Curfew. The Pueblo's curfew shall terminate June 14, 2021. In the interests of public safety, village checkpoints and roadblocks are no longer required.
4. Non-Residents. Non-residents who are fully vaccinated may visit the Pueblo's villages, subject to any other restrictions imposed by village officials. Un-vaccinated non-residents, including those who are not *fully* vaccinated, are prohibited from visiting the Pueblo's villages without permission of the Emergency Operations Command (EOC) or village officials. This prohibition does not apply to children who are not yet eligible to be vaccinated and those for whom a medical professional has determined vaccination is not recommended.
5. COVID-19 Testing and Isolation Requirements. Testing is no longer required for individuals who are fully vaccinated. Un-Vaccinated Individuals living or regularly present within the Pueblo are asked to obtain COVID-19 testing regularly. Individuals, whether fully vaccinated or un-vaccinated, experiencing one or more COVID-19 symptoms should obtain a COVID-19 test. Anyone obtaining a positive COVID-19 test shall consult with the EOC and comply with any quarantine and isolation restrictions required.
6. Children and Schools. Fully Vaccinated Individuals may participate in school and youth activities subject to restrictions implemented by each school district or program. In addition to complying with Section 2 of this order, Un-Vaccinated Individuals may participate in activities subject to any additional restrictions established by each district or program in consultation with EOC.
7. Health Care Facilities. Providers of medical and behavioral health services may see, examine, admit, treat, and provide services to all patients, regardless of vaccination status, subject to all appropriate COVID Safe Practices to protect patients and staff.
8. Senior Care Facilities and Services. Laguna Rainbow Corporation (LRC) may conduct normal admissions, activities, and congregate meals in both its Senior Center and Elderly Care Center, provided that all participants and staff are fully vaccinated or have a documented medical exception. Drive-through meal and meal delivery services may be provided to all recipients as long as COVID Safe Practices are followed. Un-vaccinated residents may only be admitted to the Elderly Care Center with the approval of the EOC. Fully-vaccinated individuals may visit residents

and participants, subject to LRC policies which shall include symptom monitoring for all upon entry and masks and social distancing for un-vaccinated individuals. Un-Vaccinated Individuals, other than children ineligible for vaccination, may only visit if authorized by the EOC.

9. Vaccination and Testing. Pursuant to Council Res. 19-21, each person hired or employed by any entity chartered by the Pueblo of Laguna shall be inoculated and provide proof of inoculation, with a COVID-19 vaccine series in accordance with Centers for Disease Control guidance, including any recommended booster, and shall submit to COVID-19 testing as directed by the Pueblo's EOC or the Governor as a condition of employment, unless the employee provides documentation from a medical professional that such inoculation or testing is medically not recommended.
10. Business and Pueblo Entity Operations. Customers and staff of businesses and Pueblo entities shall be subject only to restrictions imposed by the business or entity in question in accord with operating plans reached in consultation with EOC. Businesses and Pueblo entities may require proof of vaccination of customers.
11. Laguna Development Corporation. LDC management shall appear before the Pueblo Council prior to expanding LDC business operations beyond the level existing on the date of this Order.
12. Arts/crafts and food vendors. Arts, crafts and food vendors that are not managed by a Pueblo Entity shall continue to provide proof of vaccination when obtaining permission to vend in addition to normal permits or licenses to sell within the Pueblo.
13. Public Buildings. Pueblo government buildings and facilities shall be open according to rules instituted by each department including, at a minimum, symptom-monitoring for all and compliance with restrictions for un-vaccinated individuals required in Section 2.
14. Officials. Village officials and Pueblo officials shall have authority to limit attendance at their village meetings and other activities to people who have been fully-vaccinated and to request proof of vaccination and compliance with COVID Safe Practices as conditions of participation.
15. Enforcement of public health orders. Procedures from Executive Order No. 3 shall remain in effect to provide for public health orders to enforce EOC quarantine and isolation requirements for Un-Vaccinated Individuals and those who test positive for COVID-19 (see attached Appendix). Duties of Village Officials under this Order are to observe, monitor, and report suspected non-compliance activity to the EOC or Laguna Law Enforcement for investigation or action.
16. COVID Leave Policies. Policies in effect regarding COVID leave for Pueblo governmental employees shall remain in effect until otherwise modified.

17. Passing of Membership. Attendance at Wakes and Burials within the Pueblo will be limited to fully vaccinated individuals and others who have permission from religious and village officials. All participants are required to adhere to COVID Safe Practices.
18. Traditional and Religious Activities and Notification. The Pueblo will rely on notification from traditional religious leaders and war captains to inform Pueblo and Village leadership regarding religious ceremonies and activities within the six Pueblo villages. It is encouraged that all precautions are considered, understood and implemented under this order to ensure the safety, protection, and well-being of ALL THE PEOPLE.
19. Houses of Worship. Houses of Worship may hold services or other functions as long as Un-Vaccinated Individuals comply with restrictions in Section 2 of this order. Leaders of such institutions shall have the authority to require proof of vaccination and to impose conditions including COVID Safe Practices on the participation of un-vaccinated individuals.

For more information visit the POL website COVID-19 link at [www.lagunapueblo-nsn.gov](http://www.lagunapueblo-nsn.gov) or call 505-290-4247 or 505-803-1908 for clarification.

**APPENDIX A**  
**Amended Executive Order No. 4**  
**Emergency Public Health Measures**  
**To Protect Against COVID-19**  
**Transmission**

Authority

By the Public Health Emergency Declaration issued March 20, 2020, the Governor and Council authorized the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to take measures to protect the community from the threat of an infectious, deadly disease, including when necessary, testing, quarantine, and isolation.

The EOC has authority to detain and isolate people within the Pueblo's jurisdiction believed to have been exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19 until they are shown to no longer be infectious or have remained in quarantine beyond the incubation period and no longer represent a public health threat in accordance with the following procedures.

Procedure

1. Upon receipt of information that someone may be infected with COVID-19 or that an Un-Vaccinated Individual may have been exposed to someone infected with COVID-19, EOC Contract Tracers shall request the individual to obtain a free medical test and remain in self-quarantine, isolated from other people, until the results of the test are received and the EOC determines that the person is no longer a threat to public health. Pueblo staff will provide information and support until the individuals are no longer a potential threat to public health.
2. If someone refuses to obtain a medical test when requested by authorized contract tracers, a written application to the EOC Commander shall be made providing the basis for believing that the person may have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus and a description of efforts made to obtain voluntary testing.
3. If EOC staff receive information that an Unvaccinated Individual has violated the Executive Order currently in effect, they shall investigate and, upon determination of probable cause, the EOC Commander may issue an order directing the individual in question to comply or face appropriate civil or criminal liability as determined by the Pueblo Court.
4. Upon receiving information or a referral, the EOC will consider any additional information from Public Safety Department and the Community Health and Wellness Department (CHWD), and, if the EOC determines it necessary in order to protect the community against a public health threat, the EOC Commander may order the person(s) to quarantine or isolate in their home or other suitable facility where s/he or they will not be a potential public health threat until such threat no longer exists.
5. Any enforcement order issued by the EOC shall be provided in writing to the individual in question and shall include:
  - a. a reasonably specific explanation of the reason for the order;
  - b. instructions on how to challenge the EOC order in Pueblo Court.

**Only the EOC can order isolation pending a requested coronavirus test. No one has authority to force testing or vaccination over the objections of an individual, except with regards to employees of the Pueblo or Pueblo-chartered enterprises for whom both testing and vaccination are conditions of employment. Officials should report any suspected exposures to the COVID-19 virus to the EOC for investigation.**