Public Health Guidance

The New Mexico Department of Health has published a 21-page overview document providing guidance on COVID-19. Policies for the Prevention and Control of COVID-19 in New Mexico. It is intended as a resource for members of the public, health care providers, and employers who may have general questions about COVID-19 and the recommended guidance in responding to and protecting against the virus.

These policies reflect the recommendations of the New Mexico Department of Health and are based on a combination of CDC guidance, scientific evidence, New Mexico’s experience to date with the disease. The state has adopted a careful approach in its response to the pandemic that underscores the fact there is still limited understanding of the virus and who may be more vulnerable to significant illness and harm.

View the Public Health Guidance here.

The state’s revised emergency public health order is effective Saturday, Aug. 29 through Sept. 18, 2020 and incorporates the following:

- Small businesses/retail space may 25% capacity
- Houses of worship 20% capacity
- Food and drink establishments (including restaurants, breweries, wineries, distilleries, cafes, coffee shops or other similar establishments) may provide indoor dining 25%, outdoor dining 75%
- Museums with interactive and/or immersive displays closed, museums with static displays 25% capacity
- Mass gatherings up to 10 individuals
- Lodging 50% capacity

View Public Health Emergency Order HERE.

NM Legislative Reports (NMLR)

NMC renewed its contract with NMLR for this year’s legislative session. NMLR is the process of sending out login credentials to all counties. Please contact Beverly Garcia, 505.670.3022, to request your credentials. Once NMLR has received your information, they will schedule a NMLR website training session on Zoom.

Unsung Heroes of Overdose Prevention

Chaves County Major David Garcia and Detention Administrator Clay Compton “Without question, we are passionate in our support for detainee access to medications for addiction treatment (MAT).” Jail and prison administrators oversee people targeted by drug law enforcement who are incarcerated. Addiction treatment can stoping drug use abruptly be dangerous and lead to increased rates of overdose upon release, but “detox” also fails 90% of the time. And yet, only a handful of jails and prisons offer medications for addiction treatment.

Link to NMC Meetings

Annual Calendar

July 28-29 — NMC Retreat & Board Meeting TBD

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Visit here for Fall Back to School Roadmap. Post your county happenings on our FB page! www.facebook.com/pg/nmcounties/posts. Follow us on Twitter @NMCOUNTIES33.

Search County Employment Opportunities or enter new job posts here for up to 30 days.

New Employee? Submit here add/delete to directory.

Resources for Counties

NM Seeking ML Claims Assistant

- Hiring immediately in Santa Fe Office
- 3 years office administrative experience (Word, Excel, PP, data base management; organizational skills, effective written, verbal communication
- Admin support in fast-paced environment; claims handling/insurance experience
- Email resumes and references to Sept. 15 to cathepenson@nmcounties.org

New $260 million grant program available to local election officials

Deadline to apply is September 8; Grants provide for staffing, training, equipment.

NACo Leadership Academy Update

Fall classes are available, and participants have been enrolled from a county in the High Performance Counties that qualify are: Catron, De Baca, Lea, Lincoln, and Rio Arriba County. Enroll now and use this offer for the 2021 program date:

- Also “Buy one, offer two” counties that have previously enrolled offer an opportunity to enroll 2 students for the price of 1
- 2021 NACo High Performance Leadership Academy program start dates: January 11, April 9, August 2, and September 13

Contact Ben Graves, beng@pdaleadership.com.

Lea County

Tiny Census Concert (28 days to count)

Thursday, September 3, 2020 7-8 p.m.

Live On FB at City of Hobbs

7 p.m. $100 gift cards from local businesses worth $1,000 in gift card giveaways! To qualify, you must have their Census code confirmation to census@leacounty.net prior to the giveaway at the end of the concert.

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NMC Executive Committee meeting 3 p.m.

NMC Zoom

NMC/NMML joint Legislative Meeting 9 a.m.

NMCIA Retreat & Board meeting TBD

NM EDGE Classes Online Sept. 10, 17, 22, 24, and 29

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The Dec. 1-3 — Better Informed Public Officials (BIPO) Training TBD

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NMEDG Calendar of Events Sept. 10, 17, 22, 24, and 29

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