

RECORD OF DECISION – CMOH Order 15-2020

Re: 2020 COVID-19 Response

Whereas I, Dr. Deena Hinshaw, Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) have initiated an investigation into the existence of COVID-19 within the Province of Alberta.

Whereas the investigation has confirmed that COVID-19 is present in Alberta and constitutes a public health emergency as a novel or highly infectious agent that poses a significant risk to public health.

Whereas under section 29(2.1) of the *Public Health Act* (the Act), I have the authority by order to prohibit a person from attending a location for any period and subject to any conditions that I consider appropriate, where I have determined that the person engaging in that activity could transmit an infectious agent. I also have the authority to take whatever other steps that are, in my opinion, necessary in order to lessen the impact of the public health emergency.

Whereas I made Record of Decision - CMOH Order 02-2020 on March 17, 2020, which prohibited attendance at public recreational facilities and private entertainment facilities.

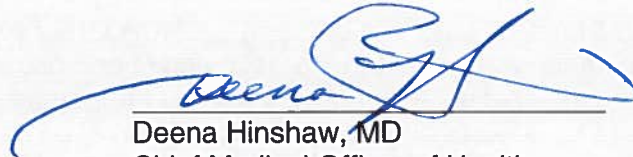
Whereas I made Record of Decision – CMOH Order 07-2020 on March 27, 2020, which set requirements with respect to the gathering of persons in indoor and outdoor locations, and requirements that apply to businesses that are permitted to provide services to the public at a location that is accessible to the public and to restaurants, cafes and other food-serving facilities.

Whereas having determined that it is possible to permit Albertans to engage in certain outdoor activities where the risk of COVID-19 transmission can be mitigated if persons adhere to public health measures, I hereby make the following Order which modifies Record of Decision - CMOH Order 02-2020 by removing the prohibition against attending a recreational facility where a golf course is operated, for the purpose of playing golf.

1. Effective May 1, 2020, a person may attend a location or place where a golf course is operated for the purpose of playing golf.
2. An operator of a golf course located in the Province of Alberta must:
 - (a) implement practices to minimize the risk of transmission of infection among persons working at or attending the golf course;
 - (b) provide procedures for rapid response if a person develops symptoms of illness while working at or attending the golf course;
 - (c) ensure that persons working at or attending the golf course maintain high levels of sanitation and personal hygiene.
3. An operator of a golf course may operate the golf course only if:

- (a) reservations for persons to play golf, including any equipment and cart rentals, are made by means of online or telephone transactions to the extent possible;
 - (b) retail sales of golf equipment, clothing or accessories are made by means of online or telephone transactions;
 - (c) food and drink services offered or provided at the golf course comply with section 12 of Record of Decision – CMOH Order 07-2020;
 - (d) measures to enable all persons golfing or attending a golf course to comply with section 2 of Record of Decision – CMOH Order 07-2020 are implemented;
 - (e) every item rented or loaned to a person for their personal use while golfing or attending a golf course is cleaned and disinfected before it is rented or loaned to a subsequent person.
4. This Order remains in effect until rescinded by the Chief Medical Officer of Health.

Signed on this 1 day of May, 2020.



Deena Hinshaw, MD
Chief Medical Officer of Health