## LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER ORDER LHO 11/13/20

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This Emergency Public Health Order is issued to mitigate the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic in Wyandotte County, Kansas, pursuant to the authority provided in K.S.A. 65-119, K.S.A. 65-129b, K.S.A. 65-202 and other applicable laws or regulations.

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WHEREAS, the Local Health Officer is authorized and required, pursuant to K.S.A. 65-119 and K.S.A. 65-129b to immediately exercise and maintain supervision over known or suspected cases of any infectious or contagious disease during its continuance, and to issue orders seeing that all such cases are properly handled and that the provisions of the Kansas public health laws as to isolation, quarantine and disinfection are duly enforced; and

WHEREAS, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the resulting epidemic in Kansas and Wyandotte County continue to threaten the life and health of our citizens and visitors as well as the economy and remains a public disaster affecting life, health, property and the public peace; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government, the State of Kansas and the Unified Government of Kansas City/Wyandotte County, Kansas have all entered declarations that a disaster had occurred, acknowledging the threat within Wyandotte County, Kansas as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) and the confirmed outbreak and person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in the United States, State of Kansas and Wyandotte County; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, has been confirmed in Kansas and that in Wyandotte County the number of confirmed cases, related deaths and positivity rates exceed that of other counties in the State as well as the metro area, and the steps necessary to prevent its spread vary based upon the locality thereby requiring a specific, measured and phased approach determined by data applicable to Wyandotte County, Kansas; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED** by the Local Health Officer, pursuant to the above that:

- 1. LHO 8/13/20 is hereby rescinded which previously prohibited certain contact sports competitions from taking place in Wyandotte County.
- 2. (a) Should a sport competition take place in Wyandotte County it is the responsibility of the host school or nonprofessional sports organization to inform the visiting team of this and all other Local Health Officer Orders.
- (b) Participants and spectators are obligated to comply with all other Local Health Orders including mass gathering limitations and masks or face covering requirements.
- 3. This Order becomes effective at 12:01 pm **November 13, 2020** and remains in effect until conditions in Wyandotte County are such to warrant a change or modification.

- 4. This Order may be supplemented or modified as required for the effective and efficient management and control of the Coronavirus epidemic in the County by further order or direction of the Wyandotte County Board of Public Health or by the Wyandotte County Local Health Officer, as applicable.
- 5. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-129b, any health inspector, sheriff, deputy sheriff or other law enforcement officer of any political subdivision within Wyandotte County, Kansas is hereby ordered to assist in the execution or enforcement of this Order, as amended or modified, as well as all other orders of the Local Health Officer not otherwise rescinded or superseded.
- 6. Violation of this Order is a violation of Ordinance 17-7 and is a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by a maximum fine of \$500 and a 30-day jail sentence.
  - 7. This Order shall be known and referred to as LHO 11/13/20.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS  $13^{TH}$  DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020

Dr. K. Allen Greiner M.D.

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Wyandotte County, Kansas