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** COVID-19 HEALTH MANDATE **

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To prevent the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the State of Alaska is issuing a revision to its tenth health mandate based on its authority under the Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration signed by Governor Mike Dunleavy on March 11, 2020.

This revised Mandate goes into effect 12:01 AM October 16, 2020.

The purpose of this Mandate is to provide clear requirements related to international, interstate, and intrastate travel, while still working to provide sufficient mitigation factors to prevent, slow, and otherwise disrupt the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19.

Health Mandate 10.1 – International, Interstate, and Intrastate Travel – Order for Testing, Self-Quarantine, and/or Strict Social Distancing. Effective 12:01 AM October 16, 2020:

I. **Applicability:** This mandate applies to all persons entering the state of Alaska, whether resident, worker, or visitor. This mandate applies to all forms of travel (land, sea, and air). Children 10 and under are exempt from the testing requirement. However, untested children traveling with a parent or guardian must remain in the same status for the same duration as the parent/guardian (self-quarantine and/or strict social distancing).

II. **All international and interstate travelers:**

a. Must complete a Travel Declaration Form and a Self-Isolation Plan in the Alaska Travel Portal at www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com

b. Any person currently positive with COVID-19 cannot travel to Alaska until they have been released from isolation or cleared for travel by a medical provider or public health agency.

III. Requirements for All Travelers Entering Alaska: all travelers, Alaska resident and non-residents alike, who are arriving in Alaska from outside the state must comply with one of the following options, with special considerations for Alaska residents outlined in Section IV:

a. Pre-travel molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 <u>with negative results</u>:
The traveler must submit negative test results from a test taken within 72 hours of departure into the Alaska Travel Portal or have proof of a negative test available to show screeners at the airport upon arrival.

i. All travelers with negative results from tests taken within 72 hours of departure must follow strict social distancing for five days after arrival into Alaska, or until they leave Alaska, whichever occurs first.
ii. A second test taken between five and 14 days after arrival is recommended, but not required

b. Pre-travel molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 <u>without results</u>:
The traveler must submit proof of a test taken within 72 hours of departure into the Alaska Travel Portal, or have proof available of having taken a test to show screeners at the airport.

i. The traveler must self-quarantine, at their own expense, until results arrive**.**
ii. The traveler must upload test results to the Alaska Travel Portal when received, regardless if negative or positive.
iii. All travelers with negative results from tests taken within 72 hours of departure must follow strict social distancing for five days after arrival into Alaska or until they leave Alaska, whichever occurs first.
iv. A second test taken between five and 14 days after arrival is recommended, but not required.
v. If the molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 result is **positive**, the traveler must remain in self-isolation at their own expense. They must contact the State of Alaska COVID Reporting Hotline (1-877-469-8067) and cannot travel until cleared by Public Health.

c. No pre-travel molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2: If a non-resident traveler (age 11 or older) arrives in Alaska without proof of a negative test result or proof of a test taken within 72 hours of departure, they will be required to pay $250 per test at the airport. Residents may obtain a **molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 upon arrival** in Alaska at no cost.

i. All travelers must self-quarantine, at their own expense, until results are returned.
ii. All travelers with negative results from the arrival test must follow strict social distancing for five days after arrival into Alaska or until they leave Alaska, whichever occurs first.
iii. A second test taken between five and 14 days after arrival is recommended, but not required.

IV. Special Considerations for Alaska Residents

a. Quarantine for 14 days after arrival into Alaska (no test required).

i. The resident traveler must self-quarantine, at their own expense.

b. Travel outside of Alaska for less than 72 hours.

i. No test or quarantine is required.
ii. Resident traveler will self- monitor for 14 days after arrival for any symptoms, even mild ones.

V. Testing for Alaska Resident Intrastate Travelers: Alaska residents traveling to an Alaskan community that recommends or requires testing prior to entry is eligible to receive traveler testing.

i. There is no State-mandated requirement for intrastate travelers to test prior to travel or to quarantine while waiting for these test results.
ii. The traveler agrees to comply with all local requirements at their final destination to mitigate the introduction of COVID-19 into remote communities.

VI. Prior confirmed positive results within 90 days of departure – All Travelers:

a. No molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 is required for any traveler either immediately before travel or upon arrival, if all three of the following conditions are met:

i. The traveler provides proof of a previously positive result of a molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 within 90 days of departure; and
ii. The traveler is currently asymptomatic; and
iii. The traveler can show a note of recovery from a medical provider or a public health official indicating the traveler has been released from isolation.

VII. Requirements for Critical infrastructure employee travel:

a. All workers arriving in Alaska from outside the state as part of critical infrastructure workforce, as outlined in the *Alaska Essential Services and Critical Workforce Infrastructure Order* (formerly Attachment A), fall under this section and do not qualify for the options listed in Sections II-VI.

b. Arrive with a letter from the employer that:

i. Identifies the employer and employee by name;
ii. Details instructions on how the employee must travel to their job site in accordance with the employer's Community Workforce Protective Plan; and
iii. Confirms the traveler is following the employer's Community Workforce Protective Plan on file with the State that includes testing and/or quarantine provisions.

c. The categories for the protective plans are below:

i. Protective Plans pursuant to the *Alaska Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure Order:* Critical infrastructure is vital to keeping Alaska safe, and, as a result, businesses and employees of critical infrastructure industries must take special care to protect their staff and operations during this pandemic.

   If your business is included in the *Alaska Essential Services and Critical Workforce Infrastructure Order* (formerly Attachment A), and your workers must travel to enter Alaska, you must submit a plan or protocol for maintaining critical infrastructure to the akcovidplans@ak-prepared.com. This plan must outline how you will avoid the spread of COVID-19 and not endanger the lives of the communities in which you operate, of others who serve as a part of that infrastructure, or the ability of that critical infrastructure to function.

   Companies that have previously submitted plans do not need to submit another; they can proceed under their current plans that have been reviewed by the State.
ii. Arriving commercial fishing vessel crewmembers or independent harvesters must follow the procedures in Health Mandate 017 – Protective Measures for Independent Commercial Vessels.
iii. Arriving seafood processing workers must follow the procedures in Health Mandate 010 Appendix 01 – Enhanced Protective Measures for Seafood Processing Workers.

VIII. Protocol

Pursuant to the Governor's declaration, the State of Alaska hereby orders that prior to arrival to Alaska from another state or nation, you must do all of the following:

i. Read the available information about safely traveling to Alaska.
ii. Complete the State of Alaska Travel Declaration Form and the Self-Isolation Plan via the Alaska Travel Portal at www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com.
iii. Resident travelers and non-resident travelers who choose to take a test prior to travel must submit their results or proof of a test taken within 72 hours or have proof available to show airport screeners.
iv. Travelers who indicate in the Alaska Travel Portal that they will be in Alaska for five days or more will receive a voucher within the Portal that can be used for an optional second test five to 14 days after arrival. The voucher allows for a free follow up test at airport testing sites.

IX. Definitions

a. Self-quarantine:
   i. Self-quarantine is required while waiting for the results of your first molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2.
   ii. Comply with all rules or protocols related to your self-quarantine as set forth by your hotel or rented lodging (if more restrictive than State requirements), if applicable.

b. Strict Social Distancing:
   i. Strict social distancing is allowed after you have one negative test result from a test taken within 72 hours of departure or on arrival into Alaska.
   ii. You may be in an outdoor public place, but you must remain six feet away from anyone not in your immediate household, and you must wear a face covering. You may arrange curbside shopping or have food delivery.
   iii. You cannot enter restaurants, bars, gyms, community centers, sporting facilities (i.e., ice rinks, gymnasiums, and sports domes), office buildings, and school or daycare facilities. Do not participate in any group activities, including sporting events and practices, weddings, funerals, or other gatherings.
   iv. This 14-day window can be shortened by receiving a negative result from an optional second molecular-based test for SARS-CoV2 taken between five and 14 days after arrival into Alaska.

c. Isolation:
   i. Isolation is self-quarantining after you have a positive test result.

d. Self-Isolation Plan:
   i. Every non-resident traveler entering the state of Alaska will be required to complete a Self-Isolation Plan within the Alaska Travel Portal. This allows travelers to consider their plan for what they will do if their test results return positive while in Alaska.

e. Alaska Resident:
   i. Accepted proof of Alaska residency for testing at airport:
      1. Alaska driver's license or state-issued ID card.
      2. Federally recognized Alaska tribal identification card.
      3. Active duty military ID card or active duty dependent ID card.
      4. Employment verification letter on employer letterhead or school verification letter for in-person schooling stating traveler is moving to Alaska for employment or school.

X. Other info

a. https://covid19.alaska.gov/travelers/
b. https://covid19.alaska.gov/faq/
c. *Alaska Essential Services and Critical Workforce Infrastructure Order* (formerly Attachment A)
   i. https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/Alaska-Essential-Services-and-Critical-Workforce-Infrastructure-Formerly-Attachment-A-05.05.2020.pdf
d. Health Mandate 10: Appendix 01
   i. https://covid19.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/COVID-MANDATE-10-Appendix-01.pdf
e. Health Mandate 17 (HM 17) https://covid19.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/05272020-COVID-MANDATE-017-Independent-Commercial-Fishing-Vessels-REVISED.pdf
   i. HM 17: Appendix 01 Alaska Protective Plan for Commercial Fishing Vessels
      1. https://covid19.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/COVID-MANDATE-017-Appendix-01-Protective-Plan-for-Independent-Commercial-Fish.pdf
   ii. HM 17: Appendix 02 Mandate 7 Acknowledgement Form
      1. https://covid19.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/COVID-MANDATE-017-Appendix-02-Acknowledgement-Form-REVISED.pdf
   iii. HM 17: Appendix 03 Independent Commercial Fishing Harvesters
      1. https://covid19.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/05162020-COVID-MANDATE-017-Appendix-03-Protective-Plan-for-Independent-Harvesters.pdf