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EL DORADO COUNTY BARBERSHOPS AND HAIR SALONS MAY OPEN WITH PROPER SAFETY PLANS

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(PLACERVILLE, CA) – *The following statement can be attributed to Dr. Nancy Williams, El Dorado County Public Health Officer regarding the State’s issuance of guidelines for barbershops and hair salons:*

“Barbershops and hair salons in El Dorado County may now open as long as they have a safety plan in place that reflects the [guidelines](#) Governor Newsom and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) published today.

“The release of these guidelines does not indicate that El Dorado County has entered Stage 3; it only means the State has moved this specific industry from Stage 3 to the current Stage 2.

“My [attestation](#) letter clearly states ‘Criteria placed on businesses and activities allowed under Stage 2 are that they must develop and implement plans for safe opening that are based on the industry-specific guidelines that have been issued by CDPH... Stage 2 activities may commence in El Dorado County as soon as the individual businesses have developed and are implementing their plans according to their industry’s and general guidelines from CDPH.

“Therefore, barbershops and hair salons may open immediately as long as they have met the requirements provided in the State guidelines for this industry.

“CDPH’s guidelines also indicate that some services are not yet allowed. ‘Services that cannot be performed with face coverings on both the worker and customer or that require touching the customer’s face, e.g., eyelash services, eyebrow waxing and threading, facials, etc., should be suspended until those types of services are allowed to resume.’

“This guidance does not include nail services and there is no indication of when those guidelines are forthcoming from the State.

“It’s critical to remember the role of personal responsibility as the County allows for more activity, namely to stay home if ill for any reason, maintain a minimum of six feet from anyone besides one’s own household members, and practice personal hygiene such as proper handwashing and wiping commonly-touched surface areas.”

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