




Date: June 16, 2020

To: San Joaquin County Businesses

From: Maggie Park, M.D., Public Health Officer 

Re: **Letter to Businesses Regarding Reopening Protocol**

Public Health Services (PHS) would like to thank the San Joaquin County business community for doing their part to stop the spread by reducing operations and closing their doors in order to protect employees and the public. It is in large part thanks to you that we have been able to flatten the curve and move forward into widely and safely reopening our county. We are grateful for your continued cooperation in this time of uncertainty and hardship for many.

As the state of California continues to make guidelines for reopening various sectors available, PHS encourages our business community to thoroughly read the guidance for their sector and create a personalized protocol. This plan should include recommended elements of social distancing and personal protective equipment, where feasible, in order to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission for employees and customers.

Once the Public Health Officer, Dr. Maggie Park, opens a sector in San Joaquin County, then applicable businesses and activities may resume operations with their protocols in place that follow state guidance. Updates on what sectors are currently open are available at SJCPHS.org and SJReady.org. **PHS and the Public Health Officer are not responsible for approving or enforcing any such protocols.** It is expected that each business will put forth a good faith effort in developing, implementing, and adhering to a plan of best practices based on state guidelines for reopening their sector.

If you would like more information on guidelines for reopening, please visit www.SJReady.org.

If you have questions regarding COVID-19, please visit www.sjcphs.org or email PHS-Info@sjcphs.org.

Thank you.