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EL DORADO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER CLARIFIES STATE GUIDELINES FOR PLACES OF WORSHIP

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(PLACERVILLE, CA) – The following statement can be attributed to El Dorado County Public Health Officer, Dr. Nancy Williams, regarding the State’s issuance of guidance for religious services and cultural ceremonies.

“The State’s [guidelines](#) for places of worship include a sentence noting the need for the County Public Health department’s approval of the activities, specifically: ‘This limitation will be in effect for the first 21-days of a county public health department’s approval of religious services and cultural ceremonies activities at places of worship within their jurisdictions.’

“In the County’s [attestation letter](#), it is clearly stated in the Sectors and Timelines section that businesses may open as long as they implement a safety plan reflecting the State’s guidelines for their industry.

“Therefore, there is no need for additional County approval for places of worship to provide services.”

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