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**STATE MOVES CLEAR CREEK COUNTY TO LESS RESTRICTIVE COVID-19 DIAL LEVEL: BLUE - CAUTIOUS**

Effective Friday, February 26 at 6:00am, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) will move Clear Creek County to the less restrictive Dial Level: Blue – Cautious.

Reports Clear Creek County Public Health Director Dr. Timothy Ryan, “We have received and reviewed our testing data from the past three weeks and based on our lower COVID-19 incidence rate, we were recently informed that the County will be moved to the less restrictive Blue level.” For the past two weeks, Clear Creek County has been in the State’s Safer at Home Dial Level Yellow – Concern.

One of the most notable differences between the Yellow and Blue levels is restaurant capacity. In Blue, indoor restaurant capacity is increased to 50% or 175 people (or up to 225 people using the capacity calculator). Gyms/Fitness Facilities and Personal Services can also increase to 50% capacity or 175 people.

For more information on Dial 2.0, including detailed guidelines and restriction changes for all business sectors, visit <https://covid19.colorado.gov/covid-19-dial>.

Says Dr. Ryan, “Community efforts of social distancing, wearing a mask and avoiding in-person gatherings have made it safer for everyone. However, I would continue to caution the restaurants to take additional measures to ensure the safety of all with the increase in occupancy.”

Earlier in February, CDPHE introduced a new version of the COVID-19 Safer at Home dial called Dial 2.0. This tool allows Colorado to balance the ongoing need to contain the COVID-19 virus with the need for localized guidance during the pandemic.

For more information on Clear Creek County testing, vaccinations, monthly Virtual Town Halls and other local COVID-19 resources, visit our website at [www.clearcreekcounty.us/covid19](http://www.clearcreekcounty.us/covid19).

Until the majority of the population is vaccinated, the best way to keep our community healthy is to avoid in-person social gatherings and when in public, wear a mask, keep your distance from others and practice good personal hygiene.



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