



Indiana
Department
of
Health



Eric J. Holcomb
Governor

Kristina M. Box, MD, FACOG
State Health Commissioner

EMERGENCY ORDER REISSUING TEMPORARY BLANKET WAIVERS FOR HOSPITALS AND AMBULATORY OUTPATIENT SURGICAL CENTERS

Pursuant to the "Declaration of Public Health Emergency for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Outbreak" issued by Governor Eric Holcomb on March 6, 2020 as extended and supplemented (the "Governor's Declaration") and as authorized by IC 16-21-1-9, the State Health Commissioner hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

1. The "Covid-19 National/State Emergency Hospital Blanket Waiver: Conversion of Standard Patient Rooms to Negative Pressure Isolation Rooms" originally issued March 21, 2020, as amended March 23, 2020 and revised April 8, 2020 and subsequently extended, is hereby **reissued** as a new emergency order.
2. The "Second Covid-19 National/State Emergency Hospital Blanket Waiver: Patient Rooms" originally issued March 24, 2020 and subsequently extended is hereby **reissued** as a new emergency order.
3. The "Third Emergency Order Granting Temporary Blanket Waivers for Hospitals" originally issued March 27, 2020 and subsequently extended is hereby **reissued** as a new emergency order effective as of September 23, 2020.
4. The "Emergency Order Granting Temporary Blanket Waivers for Ambulatory Outpatient Surgical Centers" originally issued April 14, 2020 and subsequently extended is hereby **reissued** as a new emergency order.
5. This Order and the waivers granted herein are effective **August 9, 2021** and shall expire forty-five (45) days following the date the Governor's Declaration is withdrawn or expires, including any extensions, unless otherwise revoked by the Indiana Department of Health. A facility may request in writing that the Department grant the facility a further temporary extension of one or more specified waivers. Each such request must be received by appropriate Department personnel no later than 15 days before the expiration of this order and the blanket waivers. Each request will be considered based on the facility's showing of due diligence and that the specific waiver extension is necessary to ensure resident welfare or safety.

To **promote**, **protect**, and **improve** the health and safety of all Hoosiers.



6. The Department has affirmatively determined that granting the waivers herein will not adversely affect the health, safety and welfare of any affected patients or residents.

SO ORDERED as of the date set forth below.

Kristina Box, MD, FACOG
State Health Commissioner

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By: _____
Amy Kent, Assistant Commissioner
Consumer Services and Health Care Regulation

Date: August 9, 2021