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COVID-19 Update: *Brown County defines Essential Services*

BROWN COUNTY, WI— In an effort to help clarify orders set forth by the state, Public Health would like to provide the following guidelines to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community.

Below, are the industries or establishments that are considered essential services, dictated by Governor Tony Evers, Wisconsin Department of Health (DHS), and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA):

- Healthcare/ Public Health
- Law Enforcement, Public Safety, First Responders
- Food and Agriculture
- Energy
- Water and Wastewater
- Transportation and Logistics
- Public Works
- Communications and Information Technology
- Other Community-Based Government Operations and Essential Functions
- Hazardous Materials
- Critical Manufacturing
- Financial Services
- Chemical
- Defense Industrial Base

Detailed information regarding each of these segments can be found here:

<https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CISA-Guidance-on-Essential-Critical-Infrastructure-Workers-1-20-508c.pdf>

If your business or establishment does not meet these criteria, please suspend your services immediately and close your business. Public Health is encouraging everyone in Brown County—businesses, residents, agencies and other community partners—to practice social distancing.

Please only go out into public to provide or obtain essential services. If you do need to leave your home, remember to keep at least six feet between yourself and others. Cover your coughs and sneezes, wash your hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds. These actions are absolutely necessary to ensure we do not see a surge of COVID-19 in Brown County that could overwhelm our hospitals.

This is a rapidly evolving situation. To stay up-to-date on the latest information and changes please visit the following websites:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>;

DHS: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/index.htm>;

Brown County news and information: <https://www.browncountywi.gov/community/covid-19/general-information/>

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