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GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY HEALTH ORDER NO. 2020-04

Date: April 13, 2020
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To: Grays Harbor County Hospitals
Grays Harbor County Health Care Providers
Cc : Julie Buck, MD, MPD
Grays Harbor County Board of Health
Grays Harbor County Fire Departments and Districts
Grays Harbor County Police Departments

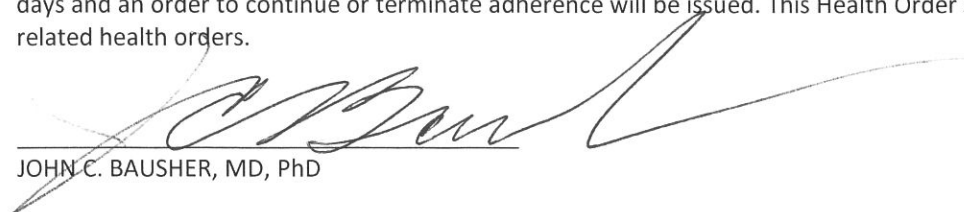
Re: Rescinding Previous COVID-19 Related Health Orders and Adopting Updated Priorities for COVID-19 testing

In accordance with my powers and authorities as the Public Health Officer Appointed by the Grays Harbor County Board of Health under RCW 70.05.070, I am authorized to take such action as is necessary to maintain public health and safety, and to control and prevent the spread of any dangerous, contagious or infectious disease that may occur in Grays Harbor County, and to take such measures as are deemed necessary to promote the public health.

In order to preserve the capacity of our critical infrastructure to respond to the current COVID-19 pandemic while access to testing is limited I am hereby **requiring** local hospitals and health care providers to prioritize testing for COVID-19 **ONLY** for the following people who exhibit symptoms consistent with COVID-19, including fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath:

- a. People who work in settings where health care services are delivered
- b. People who work in public safety occupations
- c. People who work in critical infrastructure occupations
- d. Household members to individuals from a.,b., or c.
- e. People who work or live in congregate settings or institutional settings
- f. People 18 years of age or older with underlying medical conditions
- g. People with compromised immune systems
- h. Pregnant people
- i. People experiencing homelessness
- j. People who are deceased and who received aerosol-generating procedures in the field, even in the presence of proper PPE
- k. Patients involved in an illness cluster at the request of Grays Harbor Public Health
- l. Patients hospitalized with severe lower respiratory illness who have tested negative for influenza A and B

These priorities may be adjusted in accordance with changes in the supply chain. This order will be re-evaluated in 90 days and an order to continue or terminate adherence will be issued. This Health Order supersedes all previous COVID-19 related health orders.



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