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FAQs: Public Health Order Regarding Restaurant and Bar Patrons

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Q: Do I have to show proof of vaccination to dine at a restaurant or bar's outdoor patio?

A: A business retains the right to enforce its own rules about how to best comply with any health order. The order does allow a restaurant or bar to serve patrons seated outdoors without requiring proof of vaccination. Restaurants and bars must require people who are unable to provide proof of vaccination to wear masks continually while indoors, according to Dr. Allison Berry, Clallam County Health Officer.

Q: Do I need to show proof of vaccination to use the restroom inside of a restaurant or bar?

A: A business retains the right to enforce its own rules about how to best comply with any health order. Restaurants and bars must require people who are unable to provide proof of vaccination to wear masks continually while indoors, according to Dr. Allison Berry, Clallam County Health Officer.

Q: May I go inside of a restaurant or bar to pick up my take-out order without showing proof of vaccination?

A: A business retains the right to enforce its own rules about how to best comply with any health order. The order does allow a restaurant or bar to admit a customer indoors without proof of vaccination for the purpose of picking up a takeout order, under the following condition: Restaurants and bars must require people who are unable to provide proof of vaccination to wear masks continually while indoors, according to Dr. Allison Berry, Clallam County Health Officer.

Q: May I dine indoors at a restaurant or bar if I show proof of medical or religious exemption from vaccination?

A: Customers exempt from vaccination for medical or religious reasons may choose to dine outdoors or order takeout, if those options are available. However, proof of medical or religious exemption from vaccination does not allow a customer to take off their mask inside a restaurant or bar.

Q: Do catered events need to comply with this health order?

A: Catered events are exempt from this order UNLESS those events are held at a restaurant or bar. Permitted, commercial kitchens may be used to prepare food for those events. Clallam County Public Health recommends requiring vaccination for attendees.

Q: Do private clubs need to comply with this health order?

A: Private clubs that meet within a restaurant/bar or in a space that contains a restaurant/bar need to comply.

Q: What is a vaccine passport?

A: “Vaccine passports” are digital or paper documents that show you were vaccinated against COVID-19. There are a number of apps on the market that can help you create a digital document. Those apps allow you to upload proof of vaccination and a form of identification to create a vaccine-status QR code.

Q: What if I lose my proof of vaccination?

A: Your first option is to go online at <https://app.myirmobile.com/auth/register>

Fill out the form to retrieve a record of your vaccination. If the system does not find your record immediately, it will lead you through an additional step to find it.

For even more options, visit:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/Immunization/ChildProfileHealthPromotion/ForParents/AccessyourFamilyImmunizationInformation>

Or call 360-417-2274 during regular business hours.

Q: How do I report a business not in compliance with the health order?

A: Please Call: 360-417-2430 or email EnviroHealth@co.clallam.wa.us

Q: Does the health order apply to schools?

A: No, this health order only applies to restaurants and bars.