

# Trego County FAQ regarding Kansas Stay At Home Order

**STAYING HOME IS CRITICAL IN REDUCING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN OUR COUNTY. ADHERING TO THE STAY AT HOME ORDER WILL SAVE LIVES AND IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH TREGO COUNTY CITIZEN TO DO THEIR PART.**

- What does a stay at home order mean?
  - The stay at home order is in place to get citizens to stay in their home except to conduct essential activities. This is to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- Will I be required to show proof of essential worker?
  - No, law enforcement will not be pulling individuals over to check proofs. We expect citizens to use the honor system and to only be out to perform essential activities. Please plan ahead and limit the number of times you need to be out doing the essential activities.
- How to know if a business is deemed Essential?
  - Please refer to the list of business that fall under the Kansas Essential Function Framework that is outlined in Governor Kelly's Executive Order listed on page 4 of the order. If you have questions regarding "essential worker/business status" please contact the state at [keff@ks.org](mailto:keff@ks.org).
- How do my employees get paid if hours are reduced due to COVID-19 or employees are required to be home due to COVID-19?
  - Please contact your HR department or seek legal counsel in regards to employment questions.
- Does this order allow hair salons, barbers and nail salons to continue to be open?
  - No
- Does this require the closure of day care facilities?
  - No, day care is considered an essential activity
- Can I still go to the grocery store?
  - Yes, you can still get your groceries. Please consider the options that are available at the stores in our county. Malay's Market is providing delivery service. And the Trego County Sheriff will also help with grocery deliveries.
- Will I still be able to purchase fuel?
  - Yes
- Are restaurants and bars required to close?
  - No. Restaurants and bars can remain open but they are not able to serve food and beverages to patrons that would consume food and beverages within the restaurant or bar. Services can still be offered by carry out, delivery or curbside pickup.
- Can I still go to Dr.'s appointments?
  - Yes you can still go to Dr.'s appointments.
  - **PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL AHEAD IF FEELING ILL AND DO NOT JUST SHOW UP AT CLINIC, ER OR HOSPITAL**
- Can my employees work from home?
  - We are strongly encouraging businesses to have employees work from home as much as possible.
- Can gyms and fitness centers be open?
  - No
- Can food cultivation, livestock, farming and fishing operations continue?
  - Yes
- Will the Food Pantry continue to be open?
  - Yes
- Can hotels stay open?

- Yes, we ask though that individuals stay in their rooms and if food is prepared in the hotel, that the food be consumed in the rooms.
- Can I visit my neighbor?
  - No, we do not want you visiting your neighbor in person. Please stay in contact with your neighbor by phone call.
- Can I visit friends and family?
  - For everyone's safety, you should remain at home. You may visit family and friends who require medical needs or require essential assistance (for example, delivering groceries, prescriptions – if possible, leave on porch to reduce contact). Please keep essential visits to a minimum.
- Can I play cards with my friends?
  - No
- Can I clean out my garage?
  - Yes. Do remember that WaKeeney Recycling Center is closed during this time and if loads are taken to the landfill to please follow instructions and do not get out of your vehicle until instructed to.
- Can my kids and I go outside?
  - Yes, we strongly encourage being outdoors and getting physical exercise but please stay in your yard, maybe do activities like sidewalk chalk for kids, washing the car, lawn work and washing your windows.
- Will I still be able to pick up my child's meals from school?
  - Yes, schools that provide food pickup will continue to provide those pickup options.
- Can I visit my family, friends, or neighbors at the hospital?
  - At this time, visitors are restricted. Please contact TCLMH for information.

If you are experiencing symptoms of: Shortness of Breath, High Fever (over 100.4), Dry Cough and have traveled, please contact TCLMH @ 785-7432182 to receive further instructions prior to arriving to facility.

If you have additional questions regarding the stay at home order. Please feel free to call Trego County Emergency Management at 785-743-2753 or Trego County Health Department at 785-743-6348.