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PRESS RELEASE

Personal care businesses able to open in Sierra County

On June 12, 2020, the state issued a press release notifying the public of new guidance posted on their website. You can go to the state's website at <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties/> in order to find industry specific guidance issued by the state. The state provides guidance on how businesses and counties re-open. Each county then determines if those businesses and other activities are safe to re-open. The new guidance applies to counties who are approved for variance, an ability to re-open businesses and activities at a faster rate than the state. Sierra County is approved for variance and plans to move forward. In order to provide counties and businesses the necessary time to safely implement the new guidance, the state strongly recommends the businesses and activities not re-open until Friday, June 19, 2020.

The following guidance for personal care services is for variance counties:

- Personal care which requires touching someone's face: facials, electrolysis, waxing, esthetician, skin care and cosmetology services
- Nail salons
- Body art professionals
- Tattoo Parlors
- Body Piercing
- Massage Therapy

Guidance for outdoor religious gatherings is up-dated and can be found here:

<https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-places-of-worship.pdf>

All businesses currently open and/or re-opening must have a written plan based on state guidance as directed by the Governor. Businesses and activities cannot open until 1) guidance from the state provided and 2) a written plan completed by the business or organization, AND 3) the Local Health Department approves, the business sector can reopen depending on local infection incidence data.

Please continue to do your part in slowing the spread of COVID-19 by:

- Staying home as much as possible
- Practicing social distancing (maintain 6 feet of distance from those not in your household)
- Washing hands often and using hand sanitizer when water isn't available
- Using face covers while in public, as ordered by Sierra County Public Health Officer

With the re-opening of more businesses, COVID-19 cases close to Sierra County being identified, and an increase of visitors, we must continue practicing these mitigating steps. For additional information, please visit [Sierra County](http://Sierra County website) website or call 530-993-6700 or send e-mail to COVID19@sierracounty.ca.gov

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