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Essential services available from Nevada Health and Human Services

Starting Monday, services will be available online and over the phone

Carson City, NV - To support the Governor's directive to "Stay Home for Nevada" the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has consolidated a list of Department services available to support our citizens.

COVID-19 is impacting families, businesses and communities nationwide, but DHHS won't let it interrupt the important services our state's residents need now more than ever.

"Continuity of services is our number one priority and staff are available to assist," said DHHS Director Richard Whitley. "The Department of Health and Human Services is ready and able to help Nevadans who may be facing uncertainty at this time and we encourage citizens to visit our websites or call the numbers provided for information on programs and services available throughout the Department."

DHHS has prepared a list of important services that are available by phone, email or on the web. The Department acts as the state's social safety net providing medical and food assistance, mental health resources and other programs to support children, seniors and Nevada families.

These services, along with the means to access them, can be found at dhhs.nv.gov/essentialservices or by calling 775-684-4000.

On Friday, Governor Steve Sisolak urged all Nevadans to practice "social distancing" and to stay home to reduce the chance of becoming infected and spreading COVID-19. As a result, state offices have closed to the public but that does not mean essential services have stopped.

At DHHS, administrative staff continues to support front-line staff working directly with Nevadans in all regions of our state. Staff who are feeling sick are on strict orders to stay home, and front-line staff are conducting health screenings over the phone before going out into the community or entering any homes.

More information about COVID-19 in Nevada, including resources and guidance, can be found at <https://nvhealthresponse.nv.gov/>.

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