

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

HEADQUARTERS 61st AIR BASE GROUP (USSF) LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE CALIFORNIA

26 March 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR LOS ANGELES AFB, FORT MACARTHUR, PACIFIC HEIGHTS AND PACIFIC CREST

ALL PERSONNEL AND RESIDENTS

ALL SUBORDINATE COMMAND AND TENANT UNITS

FROM: 61 ABG/CC

SUBJECT: Public Health Directive

- 1. To prevent the spread or transmission of COVID-19, it is critical that we properly *monitor*, *quarantine*, *isolate*, and *reintegrate* any individual whose illness represents a public health risk to our community. This includes military members, civilian employees, dependents, retirees, contractors, and any persons on the installation for any reason. The measures outlined below are reasonable and necessary in order to address the public health risk posed by COVID-19.
- 2. Any individual, or family member, experiencing the symptoms of COVID-19, to include a fever, cough and/or shortness of breath must report their symptoms to Public Health at 310-653-6688 (after hours: 310-413-2953) and notify their chain of command for accountability purposes. The COVID-19 Public Health Risk categories attached will be used to determine the appropriate disposition of any individual with symptoms (*Monitor, Quarantine, Isolate, or Reintegrate*) and to track their status. If you, or your family members, do not meet the criteria for COVID-19 symptoms, but are experiencing other cold/flu like symptoms, continue to care for yourself, and/or them, at home until symptom free for 72 hours. If symptoms worsen, call Public Health.
- 3. Individuals or family members in any category should exercise disciplined personal hygiene, social distancing, self-monitor, report worsening symptoms to their primary care provider, and call 9-1-1 for any medical emergencies. This also means limiting outings for purposes of obtaining food, medicine, and trips to the doctor.
- 4. Any individual, or family member, who has been *quarantined* or *isolated* is expected to remain exclusively at their residence or other appropriate domicile, when directed. While in quarantine or isolation status, a competent medical authority from the 61 MDS will contact the individual, or family member, to assess the public health risk and update any status determinations. If not contacted after 72 hours, the individual should call Public Health at 310-653-6688 (after hours: 310-413-2953). Quarantine or isolation orders can only be lifted by Public Health. Individuals who do not reside on the installation will be denied access to the installation for the duration of their quarantine or isolation status.
- 5. This policy will terminate when directed by me, in consultation with the PHEO. The contents of this memorandum and any related orders issued by the PHEO or me are directive. Any person who refuses to obey or otherwise violates such orders during the declared public health emergency may be detained and turned over to military or civilian authorities. For military members, violations are punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. For all personnel (military and civilian), violations are punishable under Titles 18 and 42 of the United States Code (USC), to include 18 USC 1382 and 42 USC 271. Additionally, any personnel who fail to adhere to this memorandum or subsequent orders may be subject to debarment (denied access to the installation).

6. We are in unprecedented times that require unprecedented measures to keep our community safe. We will defeat this threat by being stronger together. COVID-19 doesn't stand a chance if our community is unified in its purpose. While these measures are temporary, they are absolutely necessary to ensure the health and safety of all individuals. Please remain calm and continue your social distancing and strict hygiene measures. Your tremendous sacrifice during this difficult time has been exemplary. I am so proud to serve alongside each and every one of you.

ANN M. IGL, Colonel, USAF Commander

Attachments:

- 1. COVID-19 Public Health Risk Categories, 26 March 2020
- 2. Declaration of a Public Health Emergency, 26 March 2020