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RE: Bulletin 2020-04 COVID-19

A Message to Licensees and Consumers:

We have received numerous calls and inquiries from licensees and consumers for information on the date for re-opening of salons based upon the recent Executive Orders by Governor Kelly. We want to be of assistance to you so will provide information below. Please be advised that this information is provided as a public service to enhance public education. It is not intended to take the place of statutory law, regulations, or guidance documents. Such information is subject to change. This information is not legal advice, therefore, if you have additional questions or need clarification, please consult with your own legal counsel for assistance or legal advice.

All Executive Orders issued by Governor Kelly may be accessed at: <https://governor.kansas.gov/newsroom/executive-orders/>

Date for Re-Opening

Kansas Governor Laura Kelly has announced a plan to reopen Kansas. As to licensees under the jurisdiction of the Kansas Board of Cosmetology, the following link states that shops and schools can reopen when Phase 2 begins – which is no earlier than May 18. The Governor may extend Phase 1 beyond May 18 and licensees and schools have to wait until Phase 2 actually begins. See: <https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1048/COVID-19-Guidance-for-Cosmetology-4-30-2020>.

Cities and Counties Can Delay Re-Opening

Counties and cities/towns can enact their own orders that are more restrictive than the Governor's plan. Here is language from the link above: "During this public health emergency, the ongoing operation of these establishments and schools are being monitored and determined by the local municipalities and local county health departments working together. You are encouraged to stay informed by contacting your local leaders and following all recommended safety precautions."

Back to Work Guidelines

The Governor has also published a link to guidelines from Pro Beauty developed in partnership with Leslie Roste, RN, BSN of Barbicide https://www.probeauty.org/docs/default-source/coronavirus-documents/pba-back-to-work-guidelines.pdf?sfvrsn=4afa9a9b_14.

Patrons or Licensees Who Are Ill

Regulations concerning serving persons or working while sick may be found at K.A.R 28-24-3: <http://www.kansas.gov/kboc/StatsandRegs.htm#28-24-3>

Disinfection and Sanitation

The U.S. EPA has approved a long list of products as being effective against COVID-19. Among the products are Barbicide and several brands and formulations of bleach. Other cleaners are also listed. The list contains important information about how to use the product effectively. The full list is available here: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>. In the third and fourth search boxes, you can put in the product name or the company name.

Sincerely,



David Yocum, Chairperson
Kansas Board of Cosmetology