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The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has updated its daily Rapid Response COVID-19 Watchlist, which includes New Mexico places of employment that have had two or more rapid responses in the last 14 days. There are currently 45 establishments on the Watchlist.

The state initiates a rapid response when it learns of a positive COVID-19 case in a workplace. The state agency initiating the rapid response will offer direction to establishments regarding testing, quarantining and isolating, disinfecting, and COVID-Safe Practices.

The Watchlist includes:

- Organizations for which NMED conducts rapid responses, including grocery stores, restaurants, retail stores, gyms, salons and business offices.
- Pre-K-12 public and private schools, early child care facilities and higher education institutions. The New Mexico Public Education Department (PED), Early Childhood Education and Care Department (ECECD) and Higher Education Department (HED) conduct rapid responses at these locations when employees and/or students test positive.
- Home health agencies, rehab centers, recovery centers and other outpatient healthcare entities where the Department of Health Division of Health Improvement (DHI) conducts rapid responses. DHI conducts rapid responses when employees of these entities test positive.

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- Long-term care facilities, including skilled nursing homes and assisted living facilities where the Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) conducts rapid responses when a staff member and/or resident tests positive for COVID-19.
- Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) facilities, including residential treatment centers for youth and youth shelters. CYFD conducts rapid responses when staff and/or residents test positive.

The Rapid Response COVID-19 Watchlist allows the public to make more informed decisions when patronizing establishments and also assists NMED's Occupational Health and Safety Bureau and other state and local regulatory agencies in evaluating whether organizations are complying with state public health orders and COVID-Safe Practices. State regulatory agencies may initiate compliance investigations and/or exercise enforcement when establishments fail to adhere to required practices.

The current public health order mandates certain establishments close for two weeks if they have four or more rapid responses within the last 14 days. The closure requirement applies to food and drink establishments, retail spaces, places of lodging, close-contact businesses as defined in the Nov. 13, 2020 public health order, and essential businesses (other than healthcare operations, utility and media services).

When there are four or more rapid responses at a location within 14 calendar days, the New Mexico Environment Department will refer the establishment to the Department of Health, which will evaluate and make the decision on establishment closure. An establishment may be permitted to continue operating if the Department of Health, after consultation with the New Mexico Environment Department, determines that the business is a sole provider of goods or services within a community, or if they have committed to regular surveillance testing of their workforce.

If a school has four rapid responses in a 14-day period, it must close within seven calendar days and remain in remote-only learning for 14 days. Only the individual school that reached the rapid response threshold is required to return to remote learning.

The current Rapid Response COVID-19 Watchlist and closure list, which includes all establishments that have been required to close, are posted [here](#).



## Rapid Response COVID-19 Watchlist

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**Tuesday, February 16**

AGENCY ASSIGNED	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	COUNTY	NUMBER OF RAPID RESPONSES*
NMPED	ALAMOGORDO HIGH	103 CUBA AVE	ALAMOGORDO	OTERO	2
DHI	BEN ARCHER- HWY 54S	2150 HIGHWAY 54S	ALAMOGORDO	OTERO	2
NMED	HOBBY LOBBY	9500 MONTGOMERY BLVD NE # 2	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2

NMED	NATIONAL ROOFING CO INC	6821 ACADEMY PARKWAY WEST NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	PREMIER DISTRIBUTING CO	4321 YALE BLVD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTR	1601 ARENAL RD SW	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTR	8100 WYOMING BLVD NE # A	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	SYSCO NEW MEXICO LLC	601 COMANCHE RD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	WALMART SUPERCENTER	400 EUBANK BLVD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMPED	APS - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	2401 MENAUL BLVD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMPED	LAVALAND ELEMENTARY	501 57TH ST NW	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMPED	MANZANO HIGH	12200 LOMAS BLVD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
HED	UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO	1 UNIVERSITY BLVD	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	3
DHI	FIRST CHOICE COMMUNITY HEALTH	2001 CENTRO FAMILIAR BLVD SUITE 1	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALLILO	2
ALTSO	THE RIO AT LAS ESTANCIAS	3620 LAS ESTANCIAS DR SW	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
ALTSO	MORNINGSTAR OF ALBUQUERQUE	8051 PALOMAS AVE NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	EOG RESOURCES INC	104 S 4TH ST	ARTESIA	EDDY	2
NMED	KFC	1412 W MAIN ST	ARTESIA	EDDY	2
NMPED	AZTEC HIGH	500 EAST CHACO	AZTEC	SAN JUAN	2
NMPED	DESERT WILLOW ELEMENTARY	2100 PRIMROSE ST	CARLSBAD	EDDY	2
DHI	PRESBYTERIAN MEDICAL SERVICES	2013 SAN JOSE BLVD	CARLSBAD	EDDY	2
NMPED	RED MOUNTAIN MIDDLE	2100 HWY 418 SW	DEMING	LUNA	2
ALTSO	MIMBRES MEMORIAL NURSING HOME	900 WEST ASH ST	DEMING	LUNA	1
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ALTSO	BRIDGE OF FARMINGTON (THE)	1091 WEST MURRAY DR	FARMINGTON	SAN JUAN	6
NMED	WALMART SUPERCENTER	1000 ROBERT RD	GRANTS	CIBOLA	3
NMPED	MESILLA VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL	3850 STERN DR	LAS CRUCES	DONA ANA	2
DHI	CARLOS A CARDENA DPM	2800 DORAL COURT SUITE A	LAS CRUCES	DONA ANA	2
NMED	SMITH'S FOOD & DRUG CTR	751 TRINITY DR	LOS ALAMOS	LOS ALAMOS	3
NMED	WALMART DISTRIBUTION CTR	670 LOS MORROS RD NW	LOS LUNAS	VALENCIA	2
NMED	RED RIVER SKI AREA	400 PIONEER RD	RED RIVER	TAOS	2
NMPED	CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL	4800 CLEVELAND HEIGHTS RD NE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	3
NMPED	ERNEST STAPLETON ELEMENTARY	3100 STAPLETON AVE NE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
NMPED	MAGGIE CORDOVA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1500 VERANDA RD SE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
NMPED	RIO RANCHO HIGH	301 LOMA COLORADO DR NE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2

NMPED	SANDIA VISTA ELEMENTARY	6800 FRANKLIN RD NE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
NMPED	SHINING STARS PRESCHOOL	4477 9TH AVE SE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
ALTSO	THE SUITES RIO VISTA	2410 19TH ST SE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
NMED	LEPRINO FOODS CO	5600 OMAHA RD	ROSWELL	CHAVES	2
NMED	TARGET	2725 N MAIN ST	ROSWELL	CHAVES	2
DHI	NEW MEXICO REHAB CENTER	72 GAIL HARRIS ST	ROSWELL	CHAVES	2
ALTSO	SANTA CLARA ASSISTED LIVING	15 FORT BAYARD RD	SANTA CLARA	GRANT	4
ALTSO	SANTA FE CARE CENTER	635 HARKLE RD	SANTA FE	SANTA FE	2
ALTSO	SILVER CITY CARE CENTER	3514 FOWLER AVE	SILVER	GRANT	2
NMED	WALMART SUPERCENTER	2501 HIGHWAY 180 E	SILVER CITY	GRANT	3

\*In the last 14 calendar days

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