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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 50 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.

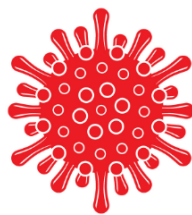
The Rapid Response COVID-19 Watchlist allows the public to make more informed decisions when patronizing establishments and also assists NMED’s Occupational Health and Safety Bureau and other state and local regulatory agencies in evaluating whether organizations are complying with state public health 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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Wednesday, February 17

| AGENCY ASSIGNED | NAME | ADDRESS | CITY | COUNTY | NUMBER OF RAPID RESPONSES* |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------------|
| NMED | WALMART SUPERCENTER | 233 S NEW YORK AVE | ALAMOGORDO | OTERO | 2 |
| NMPED | ALAMOGORDO HIGH | 103 CUBA AVE | ALAMOGORDO | OTERO | 2 |
| NMED | ALBUQUERQUE ASPHALT INC | 5012 BROADWAY BLVD SE | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 3 |

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| NMED | BLAKE'S LOTABURGER | 8641 GOLF COURSE RD NW | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 3 |
| 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 | 2701 CARLISLE BLVD NE | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 2 |
| NMED | WALMART SUPERCENTER | 400 EUBANK BLVD NE | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 3 |
| NMPED | APS STUDENT TRANSPORTATION | 2401 MENAUL BLVD NE | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 2 |
| NMPED | JIMMY CARTER MIDDLE | 8901 BLUEWATER NW | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 2 |
| NMPED | LAVALAND ELEMENTARY | 501 57TH ST NW | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 2 |
| HED | UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO | 1 UNIVERSITY BLVD | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 4 |
| DHI | FIRST CHOICE COMMUNITY HEALTH | 2001 CENTRO FAMILIAR BLVD SUITE 1 | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALLILO | 2 |
| DHI | NEW MEXICO ONCOLOGY/HEMATOLOGY | 4901 LANG AVE NE | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALLILO | 2 |
| ECECD | SOUTHWEST CHILD CARE WYOMING | 4802 WYOMING NE | ALBUQUERQUE | BERNALILLO | 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 |
| 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 | MILLS ELEMENTARY | 200 WEST COPPER | HOBBS | LEA | 2 |
| NMPED | MESILLA VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL | 3850 STERN DRIVE | 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 |

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| 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 ELEMENTARY | 4601 PEPE ORTIZ 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 |
| ALTSD | THE SUITES RIO VISTA | 2410 19TH ST SE | RIO RANCHO | SANDOVAL | 2 |
| NMED | LEPRINO FOODS CO | 5600 OMAHA RD | ROSWELL | CHAVES | 2 |
| DHI | NEW MEXICO REHAB CENTER | 72 GAIL HARRIS ST | ROSWELL | CHAVES | 2 |
| ALTSD | SANTA CLARA ASSISTED LIVING | 15 FORT BAYARD RD | SANTA CLARA | GRANT | 4 |
| ALTSD | SANTA FE CARE CENTER | 635 HARKLE RD | SANTA FE | SANTA FE | 2 |
| ALTSD | 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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