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### **Environment Department releases updated COVID-19 Watchlist**

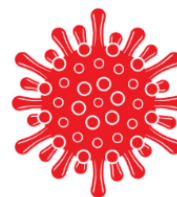
*List includes establishments with two or more rapid responses within the last 14 days*

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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**Saturday, February 20**

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	BLAKE'S LOTABURGER	8641 GOLF COURSE RD NW	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	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	SAVING THE WORLD LLC	3831 SINGER BLVD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	3
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	301 SAN MATEO BLVD SE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
NMED	WALMART SUPERCENTER	400 EUBANK BLVD NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	3
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	3
ECECD	SOUTHWEST CHILD CARE WYOMING	4802 WYOMING NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
ALTS	THE RIO AT LAS ESTANCIAS	3620 LAS ESTANCIAS DR SW	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
ALTS	MORNINGSTAR OF ALBUQUERQUE	8051 PALOMAS AVE NE	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	2
HED	UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO	1 UNIVERSITY BLVD	ALBUQUERQUE	BERNALILLO	4
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
NMED	EOG RESOURCES INC	104 S 4TH ST	ARTESIA	EDDY	2
NMED	ARISTECH ACRYLICS	1945 HIGHWAY 304	BELEN	VALENCIA	2
NMPED	DESERT WILLOW ELEMENTARY	2100 PRIMROSE ST	CARLSBAD	EDDY	2
ALTS	MIMBRES MEMORIAL NURSING HOME	900 WEST ASH ST	DEMING	LUNA	1
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NMPED	RED MOUNTAIN MIDDLE	2100 HWY 418 SW	DEMING	LUNA	2
ALTS	BRIDGE OF FARMINGTON (THE)	1091 WEST MURRAY DR	FARMINGTON	SAN JUAN	6
NMED	WALMART SUPERCENTER	1000 ROBERT RD	GRANTS	CIBOLA	2
NMPED	MILLS ELEMENTARY	200 WEST COPPER	HOBBS	LEA	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	2
NMED	WALMART DISTRIBUTION CTR	670 LOS MORROS RD NW	LOS LUNAS	VALENCIA	3
ALTS	THE SUITES RIO VISTA	2410 19TH ST SE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2

NMPED	CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL	4800 CLEVELAND HEIGHTS RD NE	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
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	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
NMPED	SHINING STARS PRESCHOOL	2100 LIONEL ST	RIO RANCHO	SANDOVAL	2
DHI	COMFORT KEEPERS	1410 S MAIN ST	ROSWELL	CHAVES	2
ALTS	SANTA CLARA ASSISTED LIVING	15 FORT BAYARD RD	SANTA CLARA	GRANT	4
ALTS	SANTA FE CARE CENTER	635 HARKLERD	SANTA FE	SANTA FE	2
ALTS	SILVER CITY CARE CENTER	3514 FOWLER AVE	SILVER	GRANT	2

\*In the last 14 calendar days

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