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Northeast Colorado Moves from Red to Orange

Sterling, Colo. – January 6, 2021: The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) has moved all counties that had been situated at Level Red on the COVID-19 Dial, to Level Orange. This change went into effect on January 4, 2021, at 12:00 pm, and brings with it a lower level of restrictions for businesses, gatherings, etc.

These changes will bring much needed relief to northeast Colorado and will allow all six of NCHD's counties to operate within the following guidelines:

- Indoor restaurant seating of 25% capacity or 50 people*
- Gyms at 25% capacity or 25 people indoors*
- Indoor seated and unseated events at 25% capacity or 50 people*
 *whichever is lower. For a full list of Level Orange guidance, please visit:
 https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/covid-19-dial-dashboard

These changes also represent important progress that everyone is making towards limiting the spread of this virus. We want to encourage community members to

support local businesses as much as possible, but to also not drop your guard. Please continue to make smart choices and be diligent about all of the ways that you can help reduce your risk level and that of the people around you. Find creative ways to stay within the guidelines.

Masks, social distancing and good hand washing continue to be our best tools to keep everyone safe as we work hard to provide opportunities for everyone who wants it, to receive COVID-19 vaccine.