

PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER 12-2020
PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE § 16-20-1-21 AND SECTION 7,
ARTICLE 2 OF THE HEALTH AND HOSPITAL CORPORATION OF
MARION COUNTY

In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the particular public health concerns related to in-person voting during the pandemic, and to ensure the social safety measures vital to the continued mitigation of the pandemic remain in place, I hereby order as follows, effective May 22, 2020, through June 2, 2020:

1. The Marion County Election Board (the Board) shall:
 - a. Organize the physical facilities of (i) all satellite sites and the voting location of the Marion County Clerk's office during the period of early in-person absentee voting, and (ii) all vote center sites on election day in a manner that complies with all social distancing requirements of Public Health Order 10-2020 or a successor order (whether or not any such order is otherwise in effect during the period covered by this Order);
 - b. Furnish poll workers with adequate personal protective equipment procured or approved by the City's Director of Public Health and Safety and provide information on how to properly wear and utilize the equipment;
 - c. Instruct poll workers on the necessity and proper method of disinfecting voting equipment to keep it safe for voters while also maintaining the integrity and usefulness of the equipment; and
 - d. Ensure poll workers understand the requirements set forth in this Order.
2. Poll workers, all other credentialed persons, and any other persons present with the permission of election officials at (i) all satellite sites and the voting location of the Marion County Clerk's office during the period of early in-person absentee voting, and (ii) vote center sites on election day shall:
 - a. Adhere to health and safety requirements provided by the Board that are consistent with this Order and other applicable public health-related orders, including the requirements to wear personal protective equipment;
 - b. Maintain a distance of six (6) feet from all other individuals, except when closer interaction is absolutely necessary to the voting process; and
 - c. Report violations of this Order to the Board or another designee provided by the Board.
3. Voters participating in in-person voting at satellite sites, the voting location of the Marion County Clerk's office, and vote center sites must adhere to the following to participate in the in-person voting process:

- a. Maintain a distance of six (6) feet from all other individuals, excluding members of the same household, except when closer interaction with a poll worker is required;
 - b. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer immediately before and after voting to the extent practicable; and
 - c. Voters are also encouraged to bring and wear a mask that covers the mouth and nose at all times while present at a polling location.
4. Individuals lawfully engaging in “electioneering,” as defined by Indiana Code § 3-14-3-16, at satellite sites, the voting location of the Marion County Clerk’s office and vote center sites shall:
 - a. Bring and wear at all times a mask that covers the mouth and nose;
 - b. Maintain a distance of six (6) feet from all other individuals, excluding members of the same household, including any voters waiting in line to vote in an area where electioneering is allowed;
 - c. Only come within six (6) feet of a voter to provide literature, pamphlets, papers, or other tangible items specifically requested by a voter; and
 - d. Respect and adhere to all reasonable health and safety related requests from poll workers that are consistent with this Order or other public health-related orders.
5. All persons covered by this Order are encouraged to act with patience and common courtesy with respect to others as they participate in the exercise of their rights to vote and otherwise engage in the electoral process at voting locations.
6. The Board shall post a copy of this Order during voting hours at all satellite sites, the voting location of the Marion County Clerk’s Office, and voter center sites.

This Order is pursuant to Indiana Code § 16-20-1-21 and Section 7, Article 2 of the Code of The Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County.

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