



# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

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Dear Beauty Industry Licensees, Students, Salon Owners, and Cosmetology Schools.

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Due to the outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus), the Nevada State Board of Cosmetology is operating **without** lobby services at least until April 20, 2020. This means no testing services (practical, theory, or law) or in-person testing, licensing, or inspection assistance. We will continue to provide informational services through telephone, email, and social media and our licensing services will be available online through the office closure.

On March 17, 2020, Governor Sisolak stated, "I have spoken with Nevada's top medical experts to get their assessment of our current situation and most responsible next steps," Gov. Sisolak said. "They have advised that the most effective course of action is to direct all Nevadans to stay home and for all nonessential businesses to close to the public for 30 days."

**This directive is effective as of noon (12:00 pm) on March 18, 2020.**

The following is how the Board of Cosmetology will operate until we reassess the situation on April 16, 2020.

## **Closure of Salon/School Operations**

- Governor Sisolak directed nonessential business (salons and schools of cosmetology) to close for 30 days.
- The directive includes all salons that deliver hair, nail, skin, or other beauty-related services, regardless of square footage size of the business location.
  - Enforcement of the salon and school closures is not under the jurisdiction of the Board of Cosmetology, the closure was ordered by the Governor.
- An emergency board meeting is scheduled for March 19th at 9 AM to discuss distance learning for students. For additional information on the meeting please visit [nvcosmo.com](http://nvcosmo.com).

## **Beauty Services During the Next 30 Days**

- The directive **does not allow** in-home beauty services.
- The directive is for your health and safety, along with the health and safety of your clients and co-workers.
- Sanitizer and disinfectant products are in short supply. Without these service delivery essentials the risk of infection increases.
- A licensee's disregard of consumer health and safety will adversely impact their licensure status in the State of Nevada.

## **Lost Income/Wages, Workplace Assistance, Social Services, and Industry Resources**

The resources below are not affiliated with the Nevada State Board of Cosmetology. This list is to assist individuals and businesses that have been/will be adversely impacted by the mandatory closures.

- Federal Business Assistance and SBA Resources
  - [SBA Disaster Assistance/Economic Injury Disaster Loans](#)
  - [Department Of Labor Coronavirus Resources](#)
  - [CDC Interim Guidance for Employers](#)
  - [OSHA](#)
  - [EEOC- What You Should Know About ADA, Rehabilitation Act, and COVID-19](#)
  - [US Treasury- Resources, Updates, and What You Should Know](#)

- Nevada State Government Resources
  - [State of Nevada Unemployment Insurance](#)
  - [Nevada HealthLink](#)
  - [Nevada Department of Health and Human Services](#)
  - [Nevada Health Response](#)
  - [Nevada Department of Agriculture Food & Nutrition Division \(School Meal Information\)](#)
- Non-Government Social Services
  - [United Way of Southern Nevada](#)
  - [United Way of Northern Nevada and the Sierra](#)
- Professional Associations
  - [Professional Beauty Association](#)

### **Lobby Services**

- Both office locations in Las Vegas and Reno are closed until further notice.
- Phone and online services will remain available.
- The situation will be reassessed on April 16, 2020.

### **Testing Services**

- There will be no testing until further notice.
- The situation will be reassessed on April 16, 2020

### **Licensing Services**

- Available online and over the telephone
- Licenses will still be printed and mailed daily throughout the office lobby closure

### **Inspection Services**

- No salon opening inspection services will be performed until further notice
- Consumer complaints will be taken online at [nvcosmo.com](http://nvcosmo.com) and over the phone (702-508-0015)

### **Social Media**

- We will post updates regarding the office lobby closure on social media.

- We will repost important information from the following authorities:
  - [World Health Organization](#)
  - [Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
  - [Southern Nevada Health District](#)
  - [Nevada Governor's Office](#)

### **Distance Learning**

- An emergency board meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020, at the Las Vegas and Reno Board offices.
- Meeting teleconferencing available: 1-267-930-4000 (code: 102-014-248)

### **COVID-19 Information Resources**

We are following the following organizations for information during this pandemic:

- [World Health Organization](#)
- [Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [National Institutes of Health](#)
- [Southern Nevada Health District](#)
- [Nevada Governor's Office](#)

### **Space/Booth/Salon Rental Matters**

- The Nevada State Board of Cosmetology has **no** jurisdiction over rental agreements or contracts between private entities and/or individuals. We are unable to provide you with legal advice.

Thank you for your understanding as we get through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

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Nevada State Board of Cosmetology