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Mayor

Maureen B. Lillis, MPH
Director of Health

March 16, 2020

Dear Food-Service Establishment Owner,

On March 11, the COVID-19 outbreak was characterized as a pandemic by the World Health Organization. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have now provided guidance recommending the cancellation or postponement of in-person events consisting of 50 people or more. Governor Ned Lamont has announced that restaurants and bars that serve food will temporarily be required to go to take-out or delivery service only. Bars that do not serve food will be required to temporarily close. These measures take effect at 8:00PM this evening.

To insure the health and safety of our residents, and others, I would like to once again share with you a few preventive measures to follow:

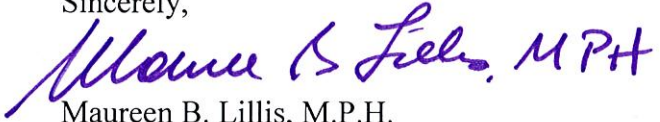
- It is highly recommended that you continue to regularly clean and disinfect all surfaces, such as tables, chairs, utensils, menus, countertops, phones, toilet facilities, door handles, in addition to any other frequently touched objects and surfaces, with an EPA registered antimicrobial product.
- All employees who are or may be sick should stay home.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are unavailable.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue and immediately dispose of the tissue.
- If you suspect you have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus, or any other virus, please contact your health provider.

The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the coronavirus. The virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. However, as COVID-19 is a new disease, we are still learning how it spreads and the severity of illness it causes.

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For additional information please visit ct.gov/coronavirus or contact the West Haven Health Department at (203) 937-3660.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Maureen B. Lillis, MPH". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Maureen B. Lillis, M.P.H.
Director of Health