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**Advisory #27**  
**Gallatin County Emergency Rule Extensions**

On January 20, 2021, the Gallatin City-County Board of Health voted to extend the following emergency rules put in place to mitigate and slow the spread of COVID-19:

[Emergency Rule for Quarantine and Isolation.](#) The order requires people who have tested positive for COVID-19 to stay at home, and for people who have been identified by the Health Department as close contacts to a known case to also stay at home.

[Emergency Rule for the use of cloth face coverings for the prevention of COVID-19.](#) The order requires the use of face coverings by people within indoor public settings in Gallatin County to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

[Emergency Rule that allows for limited visitation at nursing homes, skilled nursing facilities, and senior and assisted living facilities in Gallatin County.](#) The rule allows for some visitation consistent with safeguards required or recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Those safeguards include requirements for surveillance testing, symptom monitoring, adequate staffing and an absence of known COVID-19 cases in the facility for at least 28 days.