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Hair Salons and Barbershops Permitted to Reopen

Ventura, CA – The Governor announced today that hair salons and barbershops in most California counties can reopen as the state moves forward on the path to reopening. The County of Ventura was approved for a state variance last week allowing the County to move faster through California’s reopening phases. This allows for local hair salons and barbershops to reopen.

“Our community has worked so hard to social distance and to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our County. As we continue to reopen, we must do so with caution. We must continue to practice social distancing and businesses must make modifications needed to lower the risk of COVID-19 exposure. This will help keep our numbers low so we can continue to move forward,” said Public Health Officer Doctor Robert Levin.

Hair salons and barbershops that reopen may only provide services that allow for both the stylist and customer to wear face coverings for the entirety of the service.

This means that haircuts, weaves and extensions, braiding, lock and wig maintenance, hair relaxing treatments and color services can be provided. Services like eyebrow waxing and threading, facials and eyelash services are still not allowed since they involve touching the customer’s face, according to the state’s guidance.

Before reopening, all facilities must confirm the following at www.vcreopens.com.

1. Begin by reviewing the guidance published by the State of California at <https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-hair-salons.pdf>.
2. Upon reviewing the guidance, complete a detailed risk assessment of your business in accordance with the state guidelines.
3. Complete a written worksite-specific COVID-19 Prevention Plan and post it at your business.
4. Implement the prevention measures identified in your worksite-specific COVID-19 Prevention Plan.
5. Designate an on-duty employee responsible for monitoring compliance with your plan.
6. Complete the attestation form at www.vcemergency.com/business-attestation.
7. Post the COVID compliance hotline contact information on a flyer in an area where customers can easily view it.

The Governor announced today that the state is also developing statewide guidelines for other close-contact services, including nail salons. California expects to release separate guidelines for schools, child care facilities and summer camps later this week.

Learn more about the California Resilience roadmap for state reopening at <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/>.