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Title 16. Health

Article 41. Public Health Measures for the Prevention and Control of Disease

Chapter 9. Communicable Disease:

Imposition of Restrictions on

Individuals With Certain

Communicable or Serious

Communicable Diseases

16-41-9-1.6. Actions of Public Health Authority in Event of Quarantine

Universal Citation: IN Code § 16-41-9-1.6 (2022)

Sec. 1.6. (a) A public health authority may impose or petition a court to impose a quarantine and do the following:

(1) Distribute information to the public concerning:

(A) the risks of the disease;

(B) how the disease is transmitted;

(C) available precautions to reduce the risk of contracting the disease;

(D) the symptoms of the disease; and

(E) available medical or nonmedical treatments available for the disease.

(2) Instruct the public concerning social distancing.

(3) Request that the public inform the public health authority or a law enforcement agency if a family member contracts the disease.

(4) Instruct the public on self quarantine and provide a distinctive means of identifying a home that is self quarantined.

(5) Instruct the public on the use of masks, gloves, disinfectant, and other means of reducing exposure to the disease.

(6) Close schools, athletic events, and other nonessential situations in which people gather.

If a quarantine is imposed under section 1.5 of this chapter, the public health authority shall ensure that, to the extent possible, quarantined individuals have sufficient supplies to remain in their own home.

(b) If an out of home, nonhospital quarantine is imposed on an individual, the individual shall be housed as close as possible to the individual's residence.

(c) In exercising the powers described in this section or in section 1.5 of this chapter, the public health authority may not prohibit a person lawfully permitted to possess a firearm from possessing one (1) or more firearms unless the person is quarantined in a mass quarantine location. The public health authority may not remove a firearm from the person's home, even if the person is quarantined in a mass quarantine location.

(d) This section does not prohibit a public health authority from adopting rules and enforcing rules to implement this section if the rules are not inconsistent with this section.

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