To Students of the University of Colorado at Boulder Campus:

Boulder County Public Health has been closely monitoring the case counts and outbreaks among students, faculty, and staff associated with the University of Colorado at Boulder campus. In the past two weeks 663 Boulder County residents have tested positive for COVID-19; 502 of these residents were associated with CU students (76% of all cases). The majority of CU Boulder cases come from off-campus students.

Boulder County Public Health strongly recommends that all local University of Colorado at Boulder students self-quarantine immediately to contain the outbreak.

Self-quarantine should last for 14 days, continuing until 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2020. This recommendation is not an emergency order; however, more stringent and mandatory restrictions will be imposed if students do not comply and break the transmission cycle.

Students in self-quarantine should remain at their place of residence for the next two weeks other than to attend in-person instruction, labs, research activities, and intercollegiate athletic training. They may also leave their homes to work (including taking children to childcare to allow for work or study) or to obtain food (delivery or curbside pickup), medicine, medical care, or supplies that are needed to sustain or protect life when such cannot be obtained by delivery. In addition, students may participate in personal recreation, by themselves, provided that social distancing and face coverings are worn at all times. If a student in self-quarantine leaves their place of residence, please wear a face covering at all times. Properties with more than 10 unrelated persons living together should make every effort to separate from each other to avoid outbreaks among residents; if residents of the same building must come into contact, maintain six feet of distancing and wear a mask.

In addition, it is imperative that all students comply with contact tracing and case investigation efforts.

If you are currently under a quarantine or isolation order, you must follow the quarantine and isolation order and may not be permitted to leave your residence except for medical care.

Thank you for adhering to this recommendation to protect our community.

In health,

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