A New Emergency Declaration

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“The Department of Health latest reports show that the American Samoa COVID positivity rate is trending at less than 2%. Although our circumstances may have improved, relaxing the restrictions should not cease any safety measures you and your family may have adopted into your lives. I encourage you all to continue to wear masks and practice social distance, especially when you have symptoms of the flu, cold, or other airborne-related illnesses, and continue to wash your hands frequently. I also recommend completing your vaccination and booster shots,” stated Governor Lemanu.

“I thank the people of American Samoa for your patience and resilience. I also compliment the GAR Lieutenant Governor Talauega V. Ale, the COVID-19 Task Force, the LBJ Tropical Medical Center, and all departments and agencies involved, for your perseverance in the fight against COVID-19,” said Governor Lemanu.

Significant changes in this order include but are not limited to the following:

- Mask use is required for 10 days for any person who has tested positive for COVID-19, and 5 days for those who have made close contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19;
- Mask use is strongly encouraged for any person who has a cold, flu or flu-like symptoms, or has a health condition that makes them susceptible to serious ailments from airborne viruses;
- Government Employees and School Students’ Vaccination Mandate has been removed and is no longer required;
• Vaccination is still a requirement for entry into American Samoa, but exceptions may be granted;
• DOH has the authority to issue isolation directives to restrict the movements of people who test positive for COVID-19, however the TalofoPASS registration is no longer required for those who test positive for COVID-19;
• Entry Requirements:
  ○ Must register with TALOFAPASS at least 10 days prior to entering the territory;
  ○ Must show proof of full vaccinations if they are 5 years old or older;
  ○ Requests for Vaccine Accommodations must be received at least 10 days before travel;
  ○ Any person traveling from outside of the US and Samoa must show proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test via TALOFAPASS within 72 hours prior to travel.

The Governor’s Office may be contacted at covidtravel@go.as.gov or 684-633-4121. The Department of Health may be contacted at dohcovid19clearance@doh.as or 684-633-5871/5872.

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