



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS 10TH AIR BASE WING  
USAF ACADEMY COLORADO

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND TENANT UNITS

FROM: 10 ABW/CC

SUBJECT: Declaration of a Public Health Emergency

1. In order to facilitate coordination with El Paso County in support of their proclamation of a local emergency, as well as civilian authorities, I am declaring a public health emergency in accordance with the Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 6200.03, *Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) Within the DoD*, and with Air Force Instruction (AFI) 10-2519, *Public Health Emergencies and Incidents of Public Health Concern*. This declaration will terminate automatically 30 days from the date of this memorandum unless it is renewed and re-reported or terminated sooner by myself or a senior commander in the chain of command.
2. The installation PHEO and medical personnel are hereby directed to identify, confirm, and control this public health emergency utilizing all the necessary means outlined in DoDI 6200.03 and AFI 10-2519. To implement my direction, the PHEO may issue guidance that affects installation personnel and property, and other individuals working, residing, or visiting this installation (e.g., closing base facilities, restricting movement, or implementing quarantine for select individuals). We will establish the Health Protection Condition (HPCON) level framework that will provide specific actions specific to this emergency that each person should take to protect his or her health.
3. The installation command and the PHEO will coordinate activities and share information with state and local officials responsible for public health and public safety to ensure our response is appropriate for the public health emergency. Shared information may include personally identifiable health information only to the extent necessary to protect the public health and safety.
4. Any person who refuses to obey or otherwise violates an order during this declared public health emergency will be detained. Those not subject to military law may be detained until civil authorities can respond. Violators of procedures, protocols, provisions, or orders issued in conjunction with this public health emergency may be charged with a crime under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and/or under United States Code, Section 271. Pursuant to Section 271 of Title 42, U.S.C., violators are subject to a fine up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

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Commander