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Press Release

Emergency Meeting of the Gallatin City-County Board of Health

The Gallatin City-County Board of Health will be meeting at 3:00 PM today, March 18, 2020, to consider an emergency rule that could extend the longevity of and type of restrictions placed on public and private gathering spaces.

Earlier this week an [order](#) was issued by Gallatin City-County Health Officer Matt Kelley, imposing restrictions on bars, brew pubs, casinos, and restaurants to help reduce the spread of covid-19.

The proposed emergency rule to be discussed today will extend those restrictions on bars and restaurants, etc. until April 3, 2020. This emergency rule will also include restrictions for gyms, theaters, and other indoor recreational facilities.

Matt Kelley, Health Officer with the Gallatin City-County Health Department states, "As Health Officer, my recommendation to the Board of Health will be to adopt the rule in order to address the ongoing public health emergency and to limit spread of COVID-19 in order to protect the public health and our health care system. In my view, now is the time to act to slow spread and flatten the curve."

The Board of Health will accept public comment in writing until 2:00 PM today at the following email address hs@gallatin.mt.gov.

The meeting will take place at the County Courthouse Community Room, 311 West Main Street in Bozeman, MT. The meeting will begin at 3:00 PM, and will be streamed online at <https://www.healthygallatin.org/about-us/minute-meetings-agendas/>.

The most accurate local source of information remains the GCCHD website <https://www.healthygallatin.org/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

