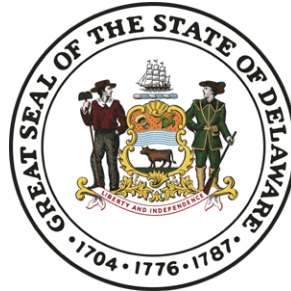


# State of Delaware



**Executive Department  
Dover**

## **TERMINATION OF DECLARATION OF A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

**WHEREAS**, the United States government declared the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency on January 31, 2020 (the Federal Public Health Emergency); and

**WHEREAS**, I issued two Declarations of a State of Emergency Due to a Public Health Threat in Delaware during the course of the COVID-19 pandemic, in March 2020 and January 2022, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, I terminated the second Declaration of a State of Emergency For the State of Delaware Due to a Public Health Threat (the Second State of Emergency Order) on March 1, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, in conjunction with the termination of the Second State of Emergency Order, I issued a Declaration of a Public Health Emergency for the State of Delaware, which became effective as of 6:00 p.m. E.S.T. on March 1, 2022 (the Delaware Public Health Emergency), among other reasons, to ensure that health care providers had access to sufficient personnel to continue providing appropriate and safe care to all Delawareans, and to provide efficient and convenient access to COVID-19 vaccines and boosters; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2022, I issued the First Revision to the Delaware Public Health Emergency, authorizing the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services to maintain the state's eligibility to receive funds or other assistance available from the federal government, including but not limited to emergency allotments; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon conditions in the state, and in compliance with state law, I extended the Delaware Public Health Emergency at least every thirty days; and

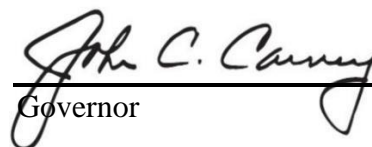
**WHEREAS**, the Federal Public Health Emergency will expire at the end of the day on May 11, 2023, thereby closing the federal emergency programs and spending authorized by that order, which have provided critical support to Delawareans during the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the state has sufficient capacity to meet the current demand for COVID vaccines and boosters, other COVID-related capacity needs in the health care industry have eased, and conditions otherwise support the termination of the Delaware Public Health Emergency.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN C. CARNEY**, do hereby declare:

For the reasons stated herein, my Declaration of a Public Health Emergency for the State of Delaware, dated March 1, 2022, and effective as of 6:00 p.m. E.S.T., including all its related orders, is hereby terminated as of Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. E.D.T.

APPROVED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023 at 2:45 p.m.

  
Governor