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## The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley



## EXECUTIVE ORDER # 19 (2020)

September 3, 2020

## **EBCI Phase II Update**

After months of implementing social distancing requirements, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has seen the positive impact of those requirements in the reduction of new positive and active COVID-19 cases. In light of this reduction in active COVID-19 cases, I hereby make the following changes to the EBCI guidelines applied to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- Mass gathering shall hereafter be limited to no more than 25 individuals indoors and 50 individuals outdoors.
- Gyms, Bowling Alleys, and other indoor exercise facilities may reopen at 50% capacity. The sanitizing and social distancing protocols implemented by these facilities must be approved by Vickie Bradley, EBCI Secretary of Public Health & Human Services, prior to accepting customers.
- Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort & Harrah's Valley River Casino & Hotel may increase occupancy on their respective gaming floors to 50% capacity.

It is highly recommended that gatherings for religious purposes continue to exercise the utmost caution and abide by the social distancing guidelines put in place to protect the health of our EBCI elderly and at-risk populations.

This order is issued under authority granted in Cherokee Code Chapter 166, Article II, and the Declaration of State of Emergency issued on March 13, 2020. It is a supplement and amendment to that Declaration and shall remain in effect while the Tribe is under the State of Emergency.

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