



Child Custody Exchanges Exempt from Travel Order

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The Pennsylvania Department of Health issued a Travel Order on November 17 that goes into effect just after midnight on Friday, November 20. While the order requires mandatory testing and quarantine for travel outside the Commonwealth, there is an exception for travel “to comply with a court order such as custody exchanges.”

In our opinion, this exception applies only to routine partial custody and visitation exchanges. It is not intended to exempt Thanksgiving and other holiday travel outside this Commonwealth. In those circumstances, parents and their children must test and/or quarantine as provided in the Travel Order.

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