

Evers to announce order shutting down non-essential businesses and travel

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Gov. Tony Evers announced via Twitter he will issue tomorrow what he's calling a "Safer at Home" order shutting down all non-essential businesses and travel.

In a [series of tweets this morning](#), Evers laid out some of what the order means. Health care professionals, grocers, family caregivers and others will still be allowed to travel to and from work.

Evers also wrote residents "can still get out and walk the dogs," but travel will be limited to essential needs such as going to the doctor, getting groceries and obtaining medication.

On Friday, Evers told reporters he wasn't considering an order to shelter in place, but "will follow the science on that." Today, he wrote he was giving people notice now so they have the opportunity to prepare.

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Final details will be released tomorrow, when the order is issued.

"I know this has been difficult and has disrupted the lives of people across our state," Evers wrote. "That's why issuing a #SaferAtHome order isn't something I thought we'd have to do, and it's not something I take lightly. But here's the bottom line: folks need to start taking this seriously."

Evers' move comes two days after GOP legislative leaders indicated they wouldn't support any additional steps restricting business activity beyond what the gov had previously ordered.

The virus has killed four people in the state and infected nearly 400.