Reopening Guidance during Community Spread of COVID-19

PHASED REOPENING: GENERAL BUSINESS

A phased approach enables businesses to reopen while protecting the health and safety of employees, patrons, and the general public.

Recommended Criteria for Phased Reopening

Phase One **Epidemiology** • Decreased test positivity rate for at least 14 days Sustained reduction in number of cases for at least 14 days Decrease in deaths for at least 14 days **Health Care** • Sufficient PPE for all health care workers even if cases double Sufficient face masks available to provide to patients seeking care, even if cases double • More discharges than admissions for COVID-19 within a 7 day period **Public Health** • All cases interviewed for contact elicitation * Testing capacity is influenced by a Contacts elicited for at least 90% of cases loosening of testing criteria, availability of nasal swabs to obtain sample, • Capacity to monitor all confirmed cases and their contacts and the availability of PPE. • Capacity* to test all people who are symptomatic Move to **Phase Three** if the criteria above is met, a reduction in cases for an additional 14 days is observed, and a vaccine is available. Phase Two Phase Three

Epidemiology Sustained reduction in cases for an additional 14 days

Health Care Same as Phase One Same as Phase One **Public Health**

All previous criteria is met and vaccine is available



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Find data associated with each phase and phase status at https://bit.ly/PhaseMetrics Public Health

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| Mitigation Guidance | | | |
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| Action | Phase 1 | Phase 2 | Phase 3 |
| Wash hands often | Continue | Continue | Continue |
| Cover Coughs/Sneezes | Continue | Continue | Continue |
| Stay home when ill | Continue | Continue | Continue |
| Require use of mask/cloth covering if social distancing is not possible | Continue | Continue | Discontinue |
| Encourage other types of employees use mask/cloth covering | Continue | Continue | Discontinue |
| Promote flexible work options | Continue for as long as possible | Continue for as long as possible | Normal operations |
| Stagger work stations to socially distance employees | Continue for as long as possible | Continue for as long as possible | Normal operations |
| Facilities PPE | Gloves, mask or cloth face covering, increased hand hygiene | Gloves, mask or cloth face covering, increased hand hygiene | Job-appropriate PPE |
| Surface/object cleaning | Continue | Continue | Continue |
| Isolation of cases | Continue | Continue | Continue |
| Social distancing markers in place for patrons | Continue | Continue | Discontinue |
| Employee Health Checks | Yes | Yes | No |
| Communal Use Items | Limited | Limited | Normal |
| Hand wash station or hand sanitizer available at entrance | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Cash Transactions | Limited | Limited | Normal |
| Disinfection of high traffic areas and high-touch surfaces | Frequent | Frequent | Normal |

^{*}Please see the CDC for cleaning guidance: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html