

Reopening Guidance during Community Spread of COVID-19

**PHASED REOPENING: MASS GATHERINGS**

A phased approach enables events and gatherings to occur, while protecting the health and safety of employees, patrons, and the public. Risk of transmission increases as the number of those in attendance grows.



**Mass Gatherings**

- Concert Halls • Funerals • Parades • Racetracks • Sporting Events • Theaters  
Weddings • Other Planned Gatherings/Events

**Recommended Criteria for Phased Reopening**

Phase One	
<b>Epidemiology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decreased test positivity rate for at least 14 days</li> <li>• Sustained reduction in number of cases for at least 14 days</li> <li>• Decrease in deaths for at least 14 days</li> </ul>
<b>Health Care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sufficient PPE for all health care workers even if cases double</li> <li>• Sufficient face masks available to provide to patients seeking care, even if cases double</li> <li>• More discharges than admissions for COVID-19 within a 7 day period</li> </ul>
<b>Public Health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All cases interviewed for contact elicitation</li> <li>• Contacts elicited for at least 90% of cases</li> <li>• Capacity to monitor all confirmed cases and their contacts</li> <li>• Capacity* to test all people who are symptomatic</li> </ul>
<p>* Testing capacity is influenced by a loosening of testing criteria, availability of nasal swabs to obtain sample, and the availability of PPE.</p>	
<p>Revert to <b>Phase One</b> if there is a sustained increase in new COVID-19 cases, or if any of the above metrics are not met.</p>	
Phase Two	
<b>Epidemiology</b>	Sustained reduction in cases for an <b>additional</b> 14 days
<b>Health Care</b>	Same as Phase One
<b>Public Health</b>	Same as Phase One
Phase Three	
All previous criteria is met and vaccine is available	

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.



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



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### Mitigation Guidance

Action	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
<b>High-Risk Patrons</b>	Avoid, continue to stay home when able	Avoid, continue to stay home when able	Resume normal activities
<b>Wash hands often</b>	Continue	Continue	Continue
<b>Cover Coughs/Sneezes</b>	Continue	Continue	Continue
<b>Stay home when ill</b>	Continue	Continue	Continue
<b>Require use of mask/cloth coverings among patrons</b>	Continue	Continue	Discontinue
<b>Surface/object cleaning</b>	Continue	Continue	Continue
<b>Isolation of cases</b>	Continue	Continue	Continue
<b>Social distancing</b>	Continue	Continue	Pause social distancing
<b>Gatherings</b>	Limit to 10 people	Limit to 50 people	Allow all gatherings
<b>Health Checks of Patrons</b>	Yes	Yes	No
<b>Employee Health Checks</b>	Yes	Yes	No
<b>Patron Health Checks</b>	Yes	Yes	No
<b>Concession Stand</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Social Distancing Markers at Concession Stand</b>	Yes	Yes	No
<b>Self-Service Food</b>	No	No	Yes
<b>Stagger Attendees</b>	Yes	Yes	No
<b>PPE Required</b>	Gloves, mask or cloth face covering, increased hand hygiene	Gloves, mask or cloth face covering, increased hand hygiene	Job-appropriate PPE
<b>Disinfection of high traffic areas and high-touch surfaces</b>	Frequent	Frequent	Normal

Please see the CDC for cleaning guidance: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>

\*See Retail Establishment Guidance, if applicable