



### **What Does Safer-At-Home Mean?**

The goal of this phase is to maintain 60-65% physical distancing.

- Critical businesses will remain open with strict precautions (social distancing, masks for all employees, more frequent cleanings, etc.)
- Retail businesses may open for curbside delivery and phased-in public opening with strict precautions.
- Elective medical and dental procedures begin, with strict precautions to ensure adequate personal protective equipment and the ability to meet critical care needs.
- Personal services (salons, dog grooming, limited personal training, etc.) will open with strict precautions. (starting May 1st)
- Telecommuting continues for offices. Starting on May 4, up to 50% of staff can work in person (with social distancing in place).
- Nightclubs, gyms and spas will remain closed.
- No group gatherings of more than 10 people.
- K-12 schools remain online only for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Vulnerable populations and older adults must stay home unless absolutely necessary.

#### **What Does This Mean for the General Public?**

- Follow Safer at Home guidelines
- Strongly advised face coverings and staying 6ft apart in public
- No gatherings over 10 people
- Sick people may not go to work
- Limit non-essential travel

#### **What Does This Mean for Older Adults and Vulnerable Populations?**

- Continue to Stay at Home except when absolutely necessary
- Utilize special industry hours for vulnerable populations

#### **What Does This Mean for Seeing Friends and Family?**

- People should still limit interactions except with immediate household
- If you do see limited family or friends outside of your household, be extra cautious to stay 6 ft apart, wear face covering, and limit contact
- Stick to solo and non-contact recreation activities like running, walking, or hiking in your local community. Do not travel outside of your local community for recreation. Avoid contact sports or equipment.

## **What are Next Steps for the Safer-at-Home Phase?**

The state is working to develop best practices and specific guidance for different industries during the Safer-at-Home phase and will have more details in the coming days.

This includes:

- Retail
- Offices
- Elective Medical and Dental Services
- Childcare
- Personal Services
- Real Estate

## **How Will Local Governments be Affected?**

Under the Safer-at-Home phase, local governments will have a variety of options.

- Operates under the state's Safer-at-Home executive order and public health orders.
- They can go farther than the state, including but not limited to stay at home orders or additional protective measures.
- They can apply for a variance from the state. To do so, they will need to demonstrate proof of very low case counts of COVID 19 and/ or 14 consecutive days of decline of infection of COVID-19 in the county. They also must submit an application that includes a written COVID-19 suppression plan approved by the appropriate local public health authority. All local hospitals and elected officials must sign off on the plan.

## **What is the timeline for the Safer-at-Home phase?**

### **Sunday, April 26:**

- Last day of Stay at Home Order
- Safer at Home Order Issued

### **Monday, April 27:**

Public Health Order and guidance to be issued:

- Retail - Curbside can begin
- Real Estate - showings can resume

### **Friday, May 1**

- Retail and Personal Services can open if implementing best practices

### **Monday, May 4**

- Offices can reopen at 50% reduced capacity, if best practices are being implemented.  
Note: if you can continue telecommuting at higher levels, you are encouraged to do so.