

Broward County Reopening



PHASE 1

By the Numbers

- Broward's First Case Diagnosed: March 6, 2020
- Broward's First Diagnosed Death: March 16, 2020
- To date: 5,882 Cases Diagnosed
- To date: 1,174 Hospitalizations
- To date: 258 Related Deaths

- Of Particular Note: 56 COVID Positive Cases from One ALF (Patients Distributed to Four Area Hospitals this past weekend)

Federal Guideline for Phase 1 Reopening

SYMPTOMS

Downward trajectory of influenza-like illnesses reported within a 14-day period

AND

Downward trajectory of COVID-like syndromic cases reported within a 14-day period

CASES

Downward Trajectory of documented cases within a 14-day period

OR

downward trajectory of positive tests as a percent of total tests within a 14-day period.

HOSPITALS

Treat all patients without crisis care

AND

Robust testing program in place for at-risk healthcare workers, including antibody testing.

Federal Guidelines: Services and Activities Under Phase 1

- **Schools and Organized Youth Activities** (e.g., daycare, camp) that are currently closed should remain closed.
- **Visits to Senior Living Facilities and Hospitals** should be prohibited. Those who do interact with residents and patients must adhere to strict protocols regarding hygiene.
- **Large venues** (e.g., sit-down dining, movie theaters, sporting venues, places of worship) can operate under strict physical distancing protocols.
- **Gyms** can open if they adhere to strict physical distancing and sanitation protocols.
- **Bars** should remain closed.

State

- Conditionally opened most businesses statewide on May 4, 2020; primarily consistent with the federal government's advisory on phased openings
- Closed: Movie Theaters, Public Gymnasiums, Schools, large/sporting venues, and Hotels/Vacation Rentals
- As the Epicenter of the virus, allowed an exemption for the Southeast Region (Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach) to open on a different timeline.

Region: Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach

- Palm Beach requested that it be released from the Regional Order, Governor approved effective May 11, 2020;
- Palm Beach delayed opening of beaches until May 18, final vote on May 15
- Broward and Miami-Dade continues to coordinate
- May 18, 2020: Miami-Dade and Broward target date for conditional reopening

Broward County Phase 1 Emergency Order

*Section 1: **Continuing Adherence to CDC Guidelines Regarding Social Distancing and Facial Coverings.***

*Section 2: **Additional Services Permitted** must adhere to applicable requirements.*

*Section 3: **Other Professional Businesses** (e.g. business firms use of physical office space in professional buildings).*

*Section 4: **Restaurants and Food Establishments** to operate at 25% indoor capacity and outdoor seating 6ft apart with no capacity limitations.*

*Section 5: **Retail Establishments** to operate at 25% indoor capacity.*

*Section 6: **Personal Service** to operate by appointment only to limit occupant capacity.*

*Section 7: **Movie Theaters** only permitted to operate as licensed drive-in theaters.*

*Section 8: **Recreational Activities in Housing Developments** (e.g. community rooms).*

*Section 9: **Community and Club Pools** at up to 50% capacity.*

*Section 10: **Museums** to operate at 25% capacity.*

Enhanced Monitoring

- Finalize plan for antibody testing partnership with the State, NOVA and the Health Department
- Expand Resources, under the direction of the Health Department, to support more testing, surveillance (epidemiological tracking and tracing) to identify hot spots quickly to address flareups
- Solidify partnership with municipalities to enforce guidance
- Educational Campaigns