
Plan for Florida's Recovery
GUIDING PRINCIPLES for Re-Opening

**Public Health & Safety**
The first priority in re-opening is maintaining the health and safety of all Floridians. Every measure taken by state and local governments, businesses, and individuals should consider the general health and safety of the public.

**Protection of the Vulnerable**
Targeted measures should focus on Floridians over the age of 65 and those who have serious underlying medical conditions to prevent exposure to COVID-19.

**Health Care System Readiness**
Health facilities should be able to return to normal operations through an approach that ensures available resources are available to treat COVID-19 patients in the event of a medical surge. Health care systems need to develop models for the effective use of medical supplies and preserve available medical resources without the need for public augmentation of medical resources.

**Economic Recovery**
The Safe, Smart, Step-by-Step Plan for Florida should support the high level of business operation while maintaining public health and safety, so that Floridians can return to work and the economy can recover.
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Protection of Civil Liberties & Maintaining Individual Rights
Measures taken by the government must not impair the fundamental rights of Floridians, and when restrictive measures are imposed they should be the least restrictive measures feasible to accomplish a specific medically necessary objective.

Public Confidence
The Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step re-open Florida must be rooted in medical judgement and driven by metrics so every Floridian feels they can return to work and their daily activities with effective communications strategies to ensuring public confidence in mitigation strategies.

Partnership with Local Communities
Local communities are partners with the state as the Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step plan to re-open Florida is implemented. Florida is a geographically large and diverse state, and each of our local communities has unique insight into their individual circumstances. Local communities will play an important role in the plan to re-open Florida.
FLORIDA’S PLAN AGAINST COVID-19

1. Protect the Vulnerable

2. Increase Testing

3. Promote Social Distancing

4. Support Hospitals and Protect Health Care Workers

5. Prevent Introduction from Outside of the State
FACTS VS. FEAR
FLORIDA COULD BE THE NEXT NEW YORK IN THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

“Florida has reported more than 6,700 confirmed coronavirus cases in the last week, with 85 deaths and 850 hospitalizations. The state is quickly becoming the next national hot spot for the COVID-19 virus, yet health experts are concerned its government is woefully unprepared.”
COVID Fatalities
Fatalities per 100,000 | April 28, 2020

Florida fatality data from FL DOH, other state fatalities data from worldometers.com, population data from U.S Census Bureau
COVID Hospitalizations
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DEMogrAPHER SAYS FLORIDA COULD BE 'LIKE AN UBER-ITALY' DURING CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Some scientists are pointing toward Florida with grave concern for a potential major outbreak of COVID-19 and deaths, due to the Sunshine State’s large populations of older and younger generations and largely unchecked spring break celebrations in the past week.
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“In Florida, the model predicts 465,699 people will be hospitalized because of COVID-19, the illness caused by complications from the virus, by April 24 but there will only be 36,384 hospital beds available by that date.”

'THE COST OF HAPPY TALK': MEDICAL EXPERTS WARN OF DEATH TOLL IF SHUTDOWNS DON'T HAV
Actual Hospitalizations vs. Model Cited by the Media

Actual hospitalization data from AHCA Emergency Status System (ESS)
“Projections say the state could run out of ICU beds by April 14.”
FACT:

Florida’s ICU Bed Availability is 36.5%
"As political and health leaders look into the face of rapidly approaching peaks in COVID-19 cases, the need for ventilators has hit crisis levels."

"There will likely come a point when there will be no more ventilators to shuffle around, and when that happens, what next?"
FACT:

Florida has never had a shortage of ventilators. We currently have 74.6% available.
AVAILABLE VENTILATORS IN FLORIDA

Available ventilators and ventilator use for COVID in Florida

6,347

VENTILATOR DATA FROM AHCA EMERGENCY STATUS SYSTEM (ESS)
Project COVID-19 Hospitalizations:
No Intervention

185,184

Projected COVID-19
3 Months of Social Distancing

Cough-Associated Admissions
Influenza-Like Illness Visits

Week start date:
- 3/15: 15,474
- 3/22: 8,917
- 3/29: 5,778
- 4/5: 3,797
- 4/12: 2,769
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<td>58,742</td>
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<td>AVAILABLE CAPACITY</td>
<td>37.55%</td>
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<td>HOSPITALIZATION CHANGE IN LAST 24 HRS</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>-12</td>
<td>7</td>
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<td>2,131</td>
<td>767</td>
<td>324</td>
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% of Class 1 Beds Available on Selected Dates

- 12.6% MARCH 2
- 41.3% APRIL 28

Includes data reported by facilities in the AHCA Emergency Status System (ESS).
Case Rate per 100,000 Population

- New York: 1517.0
- New Jersey: 1283.0
- Massachusetts: 819.2
- Louisiana: 586.9
- Michigan: 382.6
- Illinois: 362.1
- Pennsylvania: 348.1
- Florida: 152.9
- California: 114.4
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LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES
PROTECTING MOST VULNERABLE

- Suspended visitation, mandated strict staff screening, and directed ALL staff that residents to wear masks in long-term care and residential facilities.

- Deployed Rapid Emergency Response Teams to more than 300 long-term care facilities to train staff on infection controls and augment clinical patient care.

- Deployed 50 mobile testing teams with the Florida National Guard tested more than 800 resident and staff at facilities throughout Florida.

- Deployed 120 ambulatory assessment teams to long-term care facilities that visited 3,800 facilities to complete needs-assessments.

- Directed the Florida Division of Emergency Management to send PPE to ALL 697 Nursing Homes and 3,098 Assisted Living Facilities.

- To date, the Division of Emergency Management has delivered nearly 7 million masks, 1 million gloves, more than 500,000 face shields, and 160,000 gowns.
COVID-19 Deaths by Day, Florida
Focus on underserved communities

CURRENTLY OPEN:

- 2 in Broward County
- 1 in Duval County
- 2 in Hillsborough County
- 1 in Leon County
- 1 in Palm Beach County
- Several Sites in Orange County that rotate day-to-day.

NEW:

- **MIAMI-DADE** – Holy Family Catholic Church opened yesterday. Focused on the Haitian community, with Creole speakers.
- **PALM BEACH** – Site in Riviera Beach is opening early next week.
- **COLLIER COUNTY** – Site in Immokolee is opening.

**Total of 11 state-supported walk-up sites across the state.**
**The state is opening five drive thru testing sites in the coming week, which will bring the total to 13 state-supported drive-thrus. To date, these sites have already tested 88,000 individuals.**

NEW STATE SUPPORTED SITES:
- **BROWARD COUNTY** – The War Memorial in Fort Lauderdale is opening a site tomorrow.
- **ESCAMBIA COUNTY** – UWF is opening a site on Friday.
- **LEE COUNTY** – Early next week, we will be opening a site at the Minnesota Twins spring training stadium.
- **SARASOTA/MANATEE COUNTY** – We are opening a site near the University Town Center to serve the area. Opening early next week.
- **MIAMI-DADE COUNTY** – Next week, we are opening a site that can do drive-thru and walk-up tests at the Miami Beach Convention Center. One side walk up, one side drive thru.
The State has secured a mobile lab that can conduct 3,500 tests per week through a collaboration with Cepheid.

3,500 cartridges per week to support rapid testing – 45 minute results.

This testing will start early next week, and we expect to have the cartridges on Tuesday.

The State are going to use it to test long-term care facilities and will be able to get results on the same day.

As testing continues, it has multiple applications – homeless, homebound, underserved populations, etc.
CONTACT TRACING

- The Florida Department of Health has recruited hundreds of professors and students from various universities to assist with the COVID-19 response, including contact tracing.

- The Florida Department of Health has more than 500 epidemiologists dedicated to responding to COVID-19, this includes 223 epidemiologists hired during the response, approximately 300 others not including the HIV, STD, TB programs.

- The schools that are contributing students for contact tracing efforts are the following:
  - FSU, USF, UF, FAMU, UCF, FIU, UM, Columbia, Nova Southeastern University, George Washington University, University of Kentucky, and Brown School at Washington University in St. Louis.
FLORIDA PHASE 1

Received input and advice from prominent physicians, healthcare system executives, small business owners, elected officials, unemployed Floridians, and law enforcement.

Convened the Re-Open Florida Task Force, which produced a report with recommendations.
FLORIDA PHASE 1 (Continued)

- Schools remain distance learning.
- Visits to senior living facilities are prohibited.
- Elective surgeries can resume.
- Restaurants may offer outdoor seating with six foot space between tables and indoor seating at 25% capacity.
- Retail can operate at 25% of indoor capacity.
- No change for bars, gyms, and personal services such as hair dressers.
FLORIDA PHASE 1 (Continued)

- Vulnerable individuals should avoid close contact with people outside the home.
- All individuals, when in public, should maximize physical distance from others.
- Avoid socializing in groups of more than 10 people in circumstances that do not allow for physical distancing.
- Face masks are recommended for all those in face-to-face interactions and when maintaining social distance.
FLORIDA’S NEXT STEPS

Key metrics to consider as we move to next steps:

- The state maintains the health benchmarks of the Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step Plan
- Maintaining hospital bed capacity
- Monitoring COVID-19 test positivity rate

This does not need to take months. It will be based in our health metrics and guidance from medical authorities.