

## Shawnee County stepwise approach to lifting social distancing measures (synopsis)

<b>Phase one</b>	
<b>Timing:</b>	This is the current phase.
<b>General principles:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restrictions to physical contact are necessary to prevent the health care and public health systems to be overwhelmed by a fast-spreading outbreak</li> <li>• Only businesses deemed essential can operate, and are subject to restrictions</li> <li>• People are ordered to stay home, and they can leave their homes only to address essential needs</li> </ul>
<b>Phase two</b>	
<b>Timing:</b>	Time “zero” Time zero date is unknown at this time, <b>but will <u>not</u> be before May 4, 2020</b>
<b>Pre-requisites:</b> (If any of these pre-requisites change, a reverse to the previous phase may be necessary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>State restrictions allow for the actions included in this phase</b></li> <li>• Local indicators show decreasing community transmission for at least 14 days before the beginning of this phase</li> <li>• Sufficient testing is expected to be available</li> <li>• Sufficient Personal Protective Equipment is expected to be available</li> <li>• Health care system is expected to be able to cope with possible increase in COVID-19 patients</li> <li>• Public health system is expected to be able to promptly identify and isolate infected individuals and identify and quarantine their contacts</li> </ul>
<b>General principles:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some forms of physical social distancing are still necessary</li> <li>• High risk individuals must continue to restrict their activities</li> <li>• Businesses with high risk of transmission cannot operate</li> <li>• Businesses allowed to operate are subject to restrictions, depending on their specific risk profile</li> </ul>
<b>Main changes from previous phase:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stay-at-home order is lifted</li> <li>• Most businesses can resume their activities, with some restrictions and exceptions</li> <li>• Church services, funerals, weddings are allowed, with restrictions on the crowd size</li> <li>• Small social gatherings are allowed</li> </ul>

<b>Phase three</b>	
<b>Timing:</b>	A minimum of 14 days after previous phase. <b>Earliest possible date: May 18, 2020</b>
<b>Pre-requisites:</b> (If any of these pre-requisites change, a reverse to the previous phase may be necessary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>State restrictions allow for the actions included in this phase</b></li> <li>• Local indicators of infection spread show stable or decreasing community transmission</li> <li>• Clusters of cases are promptly identified and contained and do not spread to the community</li> <li>• Health care and public health systems can cope with volume of cases</li> </ul>
<b>General principles:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical social distancing can be relaxed but it is still necessary to some extent</li> <li>• High risk individuals can resume some activities, but need to remain vigilant</li> <li>• Some businesses with high risk of transmission are subject to some restrictions</li> </ul>
<b>Main changes from previous phase:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All businesses can reopen (but some will have restrictions to their operations)</li> <li>• The size of social gatherings allowed is increased (but still limited)</li> </ul>
<b>Phase four</b>	
<b>Timing:</b>	A minimum of 28 days after previous phase. <b>Earliest possible date: June 15, 2020</b>
<b>Pre-requisites:</b> (If any of these pre-requisites change, a reverse to the previous phase may be necessary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same as previous phase</li> </ul>
<b>General principles:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical social distancing can be further relaxed but it is still necessary to some extent</li> <li>• Restrictions on businesses with high risk of transmission can be reduced, but some are still necessary</li> </ul>
<b>Main changes from previous phase:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most restrictions are lifted</li> <li>• The size of social gatherings allowed is increased (but still limited)</li> </ul>
<b>Phase five</b>	
<b>Timing:</b>	A minimum of 28 days after previous phase. <b>Earliest possible date: July 13, 2020.</b> Duration unknown, but likely to be for several months
<b>Pre-requisites:</b> (If any of these pre-requisites change, a reverse to the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same as previous phase</li> </ul>

previous phase may be necessary)	
<b>General principles:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most activities return to normal</li> </ul>
<b>Main changes from previous phase:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No ban on any activities is in place, but some restrictions for businesses with high risk of transmission may be imposed</li> <li>• Very large gatherings allowed on a case-by case basis, depending on specific risk and containment activities</li> </ul>

**Indicators of spread to be considered include (but are not limited to):**

1. Number and percentage change of new cases per week
2. Number and percentage change of laboratory tests done per week
3. Percentage of laboratory tests that are positive per week
4. Percentage of new cases with unknown source of infection per week
5. Mean interval between onset and suspect diagnosis or laboratory test collected

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