On April 22, Governor Dunleavy announced Health Mandate 016 which outlines Phase 1 of his Reopen Alaska Responsibly Plan.

Phase 2 seeks to balance the ongoing need to slow the rate of infection with the critical need to resume economic activity in a reasonable and safe manner.

Phase 2 attachments provide guidance for various sectors of Alaska’s economy.
Lifting restrictions depends on:

- Disease burden that is initially decreasing for 14 days and no exponential growth moving forward;
- A surveillance system capable of promptly detecting any increase in infection;
- A public health system that is actively tracking all cases of COVID-19; and
- A health care system that has the capacity to handle all cases and that can rapidly deal with a surge in cases.
We will be following these metrics to move forward:

- **Epidemiology**: Disease burden and trends
- **Testing**: Overall volume, fast turnaround of results and reporting
- **Public Health Capacity**: Monitoring and contact investigations
- **Health care capacity**: Ensuring hospitals have adequate capacity and supplies (PPE, hospital beds) to care for COVID-19 patients and other patients needing urgent care.
When we can lift advisories and mandates

GO: If we’re seeing downward trends and all is going well, we’ll methodically move to lift restrictions.

PROCEED WITH CAUTION: If the situation is stable or we are seeing a slow increase in cases, we may ask for voluntary measures to flatten the curve.

STOP: If we are seeing a consistent or rapid increase in cases or if we think we are running out of capacity to care for people with COVID-19 (regardless of the trend in cases), then we will need to re-implement some restrictions.

Different areas may follow different rules
- We can use geography to our advantage to prevent cases from spreading. Local authorities can work with the State if more strict or more liberal rules are needed, depending on their unique situation.
- Working with the state, different communities may implement different phases at different times. This will allow for more precise control of COVID-19.
Phase 2 – Key Components

- Most non-essential businesses reopen, with safeguards
- 50% capacity for businesses open in Phase 1
- 25% capacity for bars, fitness centers, theaters, libraries, and entertainment venues
- Social and religious gatherings of fewer than 50
General Guidelines

- Continue social distancing at least six feet away from non-household members.
- Cloth face coverings are strongly encouraged.
- Wash your hands frequently and regularly sanitize frequently-touched surfaces.
- Telephone and online ordering for contactless pickup and delivery encouraged.
- Pre-shift screening. Symptomatic or ill employees not allowed to work.
Retail, Restaurants, & Non-Essential

• 50% capacity for businesses such as retail, restaurants, and other non-essential businesses.
• Walk-ins permitted.
Personal Care Services

- 50% capacity or up to 20 patrons
- Reservations only.
Social and Religious Gatherings

• Capacity increased to gatherings of 50 people gatherings
Fitness Centers
• 25% capacity with walk-ins permitted;
• 10-foot distance between patrons indoors;
• Outdoor activities up to 50 people;

Swimming Pools
• 50% pool capacity
• Walk-ins permitted
Bars, Libraries, & Museums

- 25% capacity with walk-ins permitted;
- Distance of 6-feet between patrons;
- Cloth face coverings for staff;
Upcoming

• Expanding intrastate travel;
• Increased capacity in childcare facilities;
• Re-opening of organized sports and overnight camps.
Thank you, Alaska. Everyone is essential.

- Questions regarding DHSS COVID response, including mandates and alerts, can be sent to: covidquestions@alaska.gov.

- Questions regarding DHSS data can be sent to: data.coronavirus@alaska.gov

- For general questions, contact 2-1-1 or 1-800-478-2221. Extended call center hours: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m., 7 days a week.