# City of Fallon and Churchill County Joint COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan

This is the City of Fallon and Churchill County Joint COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan developed in accordance with guidelines produced by Governor Sisolak and President Trump.

#### **Governor Sisolak's Nevada Reopening Criteria Framework**

- 1. Consistent and sustainable downward trajectory of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations over a 14-day period measured by:
  - a. A decrease in the trend of COVID-19 hospitalizations:
    - i. Currently, no Churchill County COVID-19 positive patients have been admitted to our hospital.
  - b. A decline in percentage of people testing positive:
    - i. Churchill County daily positive cases peaked on April 16<sup>th</sup>, reaching 14 days with no positives on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 2. Healthcare and Public Health Systems should be able to adequately respond with:
  - a. The ability to maintain hospital capacity without crisis standards of care:
    - i. Banner Churchill Community Hospital ("BCCH") has done so since the start of the outbreak on March 7, 2020. Churchill County and the City of Fallon utilized their workforce, in partnership with BCCH, to expand the hospital's capacity by 150% to a total of 37 ICU Beds. Currently, no Churchill County COVID-19 positive patients have been admitted to our hospital.
  - b. Sufficient public health workforce capacity within local departments to conduct case contact tracing (detect, test, trace, isolate)
    - i. County-wide surveillance and symptomatic testing plan: Churchill County will utilize its three commission districts as the source of random testing across the county. In accordance with the Quad County testing, we will track requests for volunteer testing via phone. The county will staff a call center and citizens will be allowed to request drive-through testing Tuesdays and Thursdays with a total of 42 citizens allowed from each district per testing date on a first-come first-served basis. This will result in 252 tests per week or 1% of our population weekly.
    - ii. The Deputy Health Officer, County Emergency Manager, and a Deputy assigned from the Sheriff's Office will comprise the County Contact Tracing Team which works under the guidance of the State Health District. The State Health District, through their authority, will guide and train our Contact Tracing Team. As positives are identified and suspect contacts are tested, the County will use its powers to quarantine those in order to protect the health of our citizens and the vitality of our local economy.
  - c. Expanded ability for healthcare providers to administer tests for symptomatic patients:

- i. We will continue our current symptomatic testing procedures with our health care providers and the addition of our Community Health Nurse Clinic.
- 3. Sustained ability to protect vulnerable populations:
  - a. Vulnerable populations will be protected in phases as outlined by guidelines produced by Governor Sisolak and President Trump as further described below.
- 4. Phased approach with protective measures in place:
  - a. A phased approach with protective measures will be followed as outlined by guidelines produced by Governor Sisolak and President Trump as further described below.
- 5. Personal Protective Equipment and Resource Capacity:
  - a. Churchill County and the City of Fallon are committed to ensuring we have the resources necessary to protect our community and the vitality of our economy. Currently the following are our PPE quantities. Total PPE Inventory:

i. Masks: 33,577

ii. Hand Sanitizer Bottles: 1,047

iii. Gloves: 32,940

iv. Procedural Gowns: 4,909

# Phase 1 of the City of Fallon and Churchill County Joint COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan

#### White House Recommendations - Individuals

- 1. Vulnerable populations should continue to shelter in place:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote shelter in place for all vulnerable populations and we will encourage employers to make reasonable accommodations for the vulnerable population.
- 2. Avoid socializing in groups of 10 or more:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote no socializing in groups of 10 or more and to maintain social distancing in groups of any size.
- 3. Minimize non-essential travel:
  - We will continue to encourage and promote travel restrictions for non-essential travel as outlined by the State of Nevada and the Federal Government.
- 4. Strongly consider using face coverings while in public:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote the use of face coverings while in public.

## White House Recommendations – Employers

The City of Fallon and Churchill County deem all businesses essential to the economic vitality of our community and, as such, essential to the health and welfare of our citizens. We recognize that all businesses are unique in their operation and that only each business owner/operator can identify a mitigation plan that will adequately protect their staff and the public. However, in order to protect the health and welfare of our citizens, each business must

develop and implement a COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan that must address the following criteria in order to operate during Phase 1:

- 1. Encourage telework:
  - a. Employers should utilize telework whenever possible.
- 2. Return to work in phases:
  - a. Employers should have their employees return to work in phases and educate and train their employees on social distancing and cleaning and disinfecting in the workplace.
- 3. Common areas:
  - a. Employers should close or restrict common areas and amend workflow procedures as necessary to maintain social distancing.
- 4. Minimize non-essential business travel:
  - a. Employers should restrict non-essential business travel.
- 5. Special accommodations for vulnerable populations:
  - Employers should provide special accommodations for employees in vulnerable populations so that they can continue to work or return to work in a safe manner.

Each business' COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan should consider and address, as applicable, reduction of occupancy to 35% of allowable fire code, social distancing action plans, employee personal protection plans, employee prescreening procedures, and business disinfection maintenance plan.

# White House Recommendations – Specific Employers

- 1. In-person visitors to senior living facilities and hospitals should be prohibited:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote this provision.
- 2. Bars should remain closed:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote this provision.
- 3. Elective surgeries can resume on an outpatient basis:
  - a. We are aware that BCCH is currently developing a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan for outpatient surgeries.
- 4. Gyms can open if they adhere to strict protocols:
  - a. Gym owners/operators will address how they will protect their customers and prevent the spread of the disease in their COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
- 5. Large venues (sit-down dining, movies theaters, sporting venues, places of worship) can operate under strict physical distancing protocols:
  - a. All owners/operators of large venues will address how they will protect their customers and prevent the spread of the disease in their COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
- 6. Schools that are currently closed should remain closed:
  - a. All schools in Churchill County will remain closed through the end of the current school year.

Note: Our community will move to phase 2 and then to phase 3 following a 14-day period in each phase with no evidence of a rebound.

# Phase 2 of the City of Fallon and Churchill County Joint COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan

#### White House Recommendations - Individuals

- 1. Vulnerable populations should continue to shelter in place:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote shelter in place for all vulnerable populations and we will encourage employers to make reasonable accommodations for the vulnerable population.
- 2. Avoid socializing in groups of 50 or more where appropriate distancing may not be practical:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote no socializing in groups of 50 or more where appropriate distancing may not be practical and to maintain social distancing in groups of any size.
- 3. Non-essential travel may resume.

# White House Recommendations – Employers

In order to protect the health and welfare of our citizens, each business must develop and implement a COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan that must address the following criteria in order to operate in Phase 2:

- 1. Encourage telework:
  - a. Employers should utilize telework whenever possible.
- 2. Common areas:
  - a. Employers should close or restrict common areas and amend workflow procedures as necessary to maintain social distancing.
- 3. Minimize non-essential business travel.
- 4. Special accommodations for vulnerable populations:
  - a. Employers should strongly consider special accommodations for employees in vulnerable populations.

## White House Recommendations – Specific Employers

- 1. In-person visitors to senior living facilities and hospitals should be prohibited:
  - a. We will continue to encourage and promote this provision.
- 2. Bars may operate with diminished standing-room occupancy, where applicable and appropriate:
  - a. Bar owners/operators will address how they will protect their customers and prevent the spread of the disease in their COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
- 3. Elective surgeries can resume:
  - a. We are aware that BCCH is currently developing a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan for outpatient surgeries.
- 4. Gyms can remain open if they adhere to strict physical distancing and sanitation protocols:

- a. Gym owners/operators will address how they will protect their customers and prevent the spread of the disease in their COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
- 5. Large venues (sit-down dining, movie theaters, sporting venues, places of worship) can operate under moderate physical distancing protocols:
  - a. All owners/operators of large venues will address how they will protect their customers and prevent the spread of the disease in their COVID-19 Mitigation Plan.
- 6. Schools and organized youth activities may reopen.

Note: Our community will move to phase 2 and then to phase 3 following a 14-day period in each phase with no evidence of a rebound.

# Phase 3 of the City of Fallon and Churchill County Joint COVID-19 Mitigation and Reopening and Return to Work Plan

#### White House Recommendations - Individuals

- 1. Vulnerable populations may resume public interactions, but they should practice physical distancing and minimize exposure to social settings where distancing may not be practical unless precautionary measures are observed.
- 2. Low-risk populations should consider minimizing time spent in crowded environments.

#### White House Recommendations – Employers

1. Resume unrestricted staffing of worksite.

## White House Recommendations – Specific Employers

- 1. In-person visitors to senior living facilities and hospitals may resume, but those who interact with residents and patients must be diligent regarding hygiene.
- 2. Bars may operate with increased standing room occupancy, where applicable.
- 3. Gyms may remain open if they adhere to standard sanitation protocols.
- 4. Large venues (sit-down dining, movie theaters, sporting venues, places of worship) may operate under limited physical distancing protocols.