

COVID-19 Weekly "What You Need to Know"

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Purpose: The purpose of this posting is to provide residents of New York State with a consolidated update of guidance released by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) related to the COVID-19 pandemic response. This will show only current guidance for any given topic and will be updated to reflect new guidance.

- Long Island and Mid-Hudson Valley Regions have met all seven metrics required to begin phase one of the [state's regional phased reopening plan](#); Capital Region, Western New York, Central New York, Finger Lakes, Mohawk Valley, North Country and Southern Tier can enter phase two.
- New York City will enter phase one of reopening on June 8.
- Summer day camps statewide can open on June 29, and a decision on sleep-away camps will be made in the coming weeks.
- Governor Cuomo issued an [Executive Order](#) allowing low-risk, outdoor recreational activities and businesses to open in regions that have met the metrics required for phase one.
- Governor Cuomo announced the implementation of a new [early warning dashboard](#) to monitor and review how the virus is being contained on an ongoing basis.
- As New York City prepares for phase 1 of reopening on June 8th, 10 additional testing spots will be added to hotspot areas who are predominantly low income and minority communities.
- Governor Cuomo issued an Executive Order authorizing businesses to deny entry to individuals not wearing masks or face-coverings.
- Outdoor dining at restaurants will be permitted in the seven regions currently in phase two of reopening starting June 4th.
- Erie county is eligible to resume elective surgeries and ambulatory care.
- Governor Cuomo released a [guide](#) to the state's "NY Forward Reopening" Plan, along with the state's [regional monitoring dashboard](#).
- The \$100M [New York Forward Loan Fund](#) will provide loans to small businesses, focusing on minority and women owned small businesses, that did not receive federal COVID-19 assistance.
- The New York State sales tax filing deadline has been extended to June 22, 2020.
- Governor Cuomo issued executive orders [202.17](#) and [202.18](#) requiring all people in New York to wear masks or [face coverings in public](#), including when taking public or private transportation or riding in for-hire vehicles.
- New Yorkers without health insurance can apply through NY State of Health through June 15, 2020; must apply within 60 days of losing coverage.
- Health care workers can text NYFRONTLINE to 741-741 to access 24/7 emotional support services.
- New Yorkers can call the COVID-19 Emotional Support Hotline at 1-844-863-9314 for mental health counseling.
- Testing is free for all eligible New Yorkers as ordered by a health care provider.
- Your local health department is your community contact for COVID-19 concerns. Your [local health department](#) is your community contact for COVID-19 concerns.