



## COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH REOPENING PLAN

The Oklahoma State Health Department will follow and recommend public health guidelines as established by the Center for Disease Control and the Trump administration: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/openingamerica/>

### General Business Guidelines for a Phased Reopening

On April 24, 2020, Oklahoma began implementing a three-phased approach to reopen Oklahoma's economy. This statewide plan, OURS, is:

- Based on scientific modeling from public health experts.
- Intended to mitigate risk of resurgence.
- Intended to protect Oklahoma's most vulnerable citizens from the threat of COVID-19.
- Intended for businesses and individuals to utilize in conjunction with guidance from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, the Oklahoma State Health Department, and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

The three-phase plan, implementation dates, and specific guidance by industry can be read here: <https://www.okcommerce.gov/covid19/ours-plan/>.

### Public Health Metrics to Support Reopening

#### 1. TEST WIDELY

- Maintain and expand public access to efficient testing sites. Locations, hours, and appointment requirements are updated daily here: <https://coronavirus.health.ok.gov/drive-thru-testing>.
- Continue to expand testing strategy to include Oklahomans with symptoms and those without symptoms, setting the metric to collect 90,000 specimens by the end of May.
- Deploy statewide the latest FDA-approved rapid-results testing, to include antibody testing and saliva testing, and partnering with health care facilities and the business community to target vulnerable populations or high-risk environments.
- Expand public-private partnerships to deliver testing for underserved populations and those without transportation, such as the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Oklahoma partnership announced on April 30 that is sending the Caring Van to rural and low-income communities to test.

#### 2. EXPAND CONTACT TRACING

- Train and deploy up to 500 additional contract tracers, in partnership with medical institutions and the National Guard, to build the tracing team to 650.
- Place contract tracing teams in the 11 public health regions. Each team will consist of epidemiologists, communicable disease nurses and hundreds of contact tracers to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in their communities.
- Notify the positive case within two (2) hours of results and begin the tracing investigation immediately upon notification.



- Interview positive patients, recalling everyone they were in contact with during that time. Provide instructions on isolation and treatment. Identify as many contacts as possible.
- Locate and notify the contacts that they have been exposed. If it is a location, provide sanitation guidelines as outlined by the [OURS plan](#). If it is an individual, advise he or she to immediately get tested and to quarantine for 14 days based on date of contact with positive patient.
- Request daily reporting from the individual with a positive test regarding his or her symptoms and temperature for 14 days or longer, if symptoms persist.

### 3. MAINTAIN ADEQUATE ACCESS TO PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Leverage CARES Act funding from Congress to stand in the gap for front line health care workers responding to COVID-19, to include doctors, nurses, law enforcement, EMTs, fire fighters, long-term care facilities' employees and residents, and more.
- Prioritize the State's purchasing with local Oklahoma manufacturers and companies that can efficiently provide access to critical PPE.
- Purchased and deployed more than 2 million masks during the COVID-19 pandemic and is actively working to maintain an adequate backup supply of N95, KN95, surgical masks, gloves, gowns, face shields and more.

### Public Health Template Signage for Businesses, Public Places

- [Safe Distance Poster](#)
- [Social Distancing – Business Poster](#)
- [Social Distancing – Shopping Posters](#)
- [Handwashing reminders for Customers and Employees](#)
- [Preventive Measures – Multiple Posters](#)
- [Disinfecting Your Facility if Someone is Sick](#)
- [Symptom Checker and Guideline Poster for Businesses](#)

### Additional public health guidance beyond what is available with the OURS Plan:

- [What to do if you were potentially exposed to someone with confirmed COVID-19](#)
- [Clean and Disinfect Guidance](#)
- [Child Care Providers Guidance](#)
- [Healthy Work Environment Guidance for Non-Essential Service-Based Businesses Guidance](#)
- [Employer Paid Leave Requirements Guidance](#)
- [Employee Paid Leave Rights Guidance](#)
- [Screening Employees for COVID-19 Symptoms Guidance](#)
- [Medical Micropigmentation Reopening Guidance](#)
- [Food Establishment Reopening Guidance](#)
- [Public Bathing Reopening Guidance](#)
- [Tattoo and Body Piercing Reopening Guidance](#)



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