

Memorandum

Re: 2019 Novel Coronavirus
3/24/2020 Update (#28)



On Friday, March 20, 2020, in response to the growing number of COVID-19 cases being recorded throughout the state, and in particular New York City, Governor Cuomo announced the "New York State on PAUSE" executive order, a 10-point policy to assure uniform safety for everyone. Since it is not yet clear how long this will be in effect, we will continue to monitor and inform on any new developments.

The 10-point NYS on PAUSE plan is as follows:

1. *Effective at 8PM on Sunday, March 22, all non-essential businesses statewide will be closed.*
2. *Non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason (e.g. parties, celebrations or other social events) are canceled or postponed at this time.*
3. *Any concentration of individuals outside their home must be limited to workers providing essential services and social distancing should be practiced.*
4. *When in public individuals must practice social distancing of at least six feet from others.*
5. *Businesses and entities that provide other essential services must implement rules that help facilitate social distancing of at least six feet.*
6. *Individuals should limit outdoor recreational activities to non-contact and avoid activities where they come in close contact with other people.*
7. *Individuals should limit use of public transportation to when absolutely necessary and should limit potential exposure by spacing out at least six feet from other riders.*
8. *Sick individuals should not leave their home unless to receive medical care and only after a telehealth visit to determine if leaving the home is in the best interest of their health.*
9. *Young people should also practice social distancing and avoid contact with vulnerable populations.*
10. *Use precautionary sanitizer practices such as using isopropyl alcohol wipes.*

COVID-19 Stats as of 3/24/2020

According to the CDC Website, as of 3/24/20, there are now 44,183 cases of positive cases in the United States, and 544 fatalities. 50 states, including the jurisdictions of District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the US Virgin Islands have also been added to the list of jurisdictions reporting cases.

- John Hopkins University's Global Cases by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering (CSSE) global tracker estimates 415,876 confirmed cases and 18,574 fatalities globally (160 countries/regions) and 25,665 cases in NYS with 125 deaths recorded for New York City.
- The WHO's Situation Report #64, records the total number of cases in the United States as 42,164 with 471 fatalities. Globally, according to WHO, there are now 372,757 confirmed cases and 16,231 fatalities. As is often the case, there is a delay in information being reported between the assorted agencies.

The COVID-19 virus infects people of all ages. However, evidence to date suggests that two groups of people are at a higher risk of getting severe COVID-19 disease. These are older people and those with underlying medical conditions. Given the high risk COVID-19 poses to seniors, a coordinated task force of representatives from DOHMH, DFTA, NYCHA, HPD, HDC, NYCEM, and PEU are having daily meetings regarding the City's elderly population.

Cases of COVID-19 Reported in the US, by Source of Exposure*†

Travel-related	479
Close contact	569
Under investigation	43,135
Total cases	44,183

CDC Chart updated 3/24/20

Those under mandatory quarantine receive daily calls and twice weekly unannounced visits by DOHMH. Upon identification, all individuals under voluntary home isolation will receive calls and texts with information and reminders to call a doctor or DOHMH if they feel sick or develop symptoms, such as fever and cough or shortness of breath.

As with all respiratory viruses, it is advisable to limit close contact (*within 6 feet*) with an infected person. It also appears that the virus may spread when an infected person coughs, or sneezes, or by touching an infected surface or object and then touching your own mouth, nose or eyes. All are asked to continue following CDC and NYS Department of Health recommended precautions to help fight the spread of the virus.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

total (new) cases in last 24 hours

Globally

372 757 confirmed (39 827)
16 231 deaths (1722)

Western Pacific Region

96 580 confirmed (943)
3502 deaths (29)

European Region

195 511 confirmed (24 087)
10 189 deaths (1447)

South-East Asia Region

1990 confirmed (214)
65 deaths (7)

Eastern Mediterranean Region

27 215 confirmed (1840)
1877 deaths (136)

Region of the Americas

49 444 confirmed (12 428)
565 deaths (100)

African Region

1305 confirmed (315)
26 deaths (3)

WHO RISK ASSESSMENT

Global Level Very High

The WHO Situation Report #64
Updated 3/24/20

Breakdown of Coronavirus Positive Cases in New York State (Per NYS DOH 3/24/20)

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County	Positive Cases
Albany	148
Allegany	2
Broome	7
Cayuga	2
Chemung	3
Clinton	8
Columbia	30
Cortland	2
Delaware	2
Dutchess	124
Erie	107
Essex	2
Fulton	1
Genesee	1
Greene	4
Hamilton	2
Herkimer	4
Jefferson	2
Livingston	2
Madison	4
Monroe	98
Montgomery	2
Nassau	2,059
Niagara	10
New York City	14,904
Oneida	7
Onondaga	52
Ontario	8
Orange	488
Orleans	1
Oswego	1
Pulnam	45
Rensselaer	29
Rockland	871
Saratoga	53
Schenectady	44
Schoharie	1
St. Lawrence	1
Steuben	4
Suffolk	1,880
Sullivan	22
Tioga	1
Tompkins	25
Ulster	25
Warren	2
Washington	2
Wayne	8
Westchester	2,091
Wyoming	4
Total Number of Positive Cases	25,665

To stay informed, and find up to date information, visit the CDC and NYS Department of Health websites:

For **CDC Updates**, go to www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCov

For **NYS Dept. of Health Updates**, go to <https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/>

call the **Novel Coronavirus Hotline** at 1-888-364-3065 or

Sign up for the **City's text notification system**. To receive regular updates on the latest developments in New York City, text COVID to 692-692