

Proceeding with Caution: Alabama Continues to Move Towards Reopening

If you have any questions regarding COVID-19, please do not hesitate to contact our Carr Allison COVID-19 Response Team.

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Alabama Governor, Kay Ivey, recently revised the Safer at Home Order that had been in place regarding the reopening of businesses and resumption of activities within the state. The revised Order has been met with a significant sigh of relief from many business owners and employees. The main provisions of the Proceeding with Caution Order are outlined below and remain in effect until further notice. The full text of the Proceeding with Caution Order may be found <u>HERE</u>.

Individuals

- Encouraged to stay home whenever possible and follow good hygiene and sanitation guidelines
- Ten-person limit on non-work related gatherings removed, however, individuals must still maintain a distance of six feet from non-household

Businesses

May reopen provided they adhere to social distancing and sanitation guidelines

Retail Stores

May remain open with 50% occupancy, social distancing and sanitation guidelines

Restaurants, Bars and Breweries

May open with limited table seating and a minimum of six feet of distance between tables

Entertainment Venues such as Night Clubs, Theaters and Bowling Alleys

Must remain closed

Athletic Facilities, Gyms and other Fitness Facilities

 May open provided enough space is allowed for adequate social distancing and sanitation rules are strictly followed

Close-Contact Service providers such as Hair and Nail Salons and Barber Shops

 May reopen provided social distancing is implemented and stringent sanitation rules are followed

Beaches

 May open, however, individuals from different households must be able to maintain six feet of distance from each other

Medical Procedures

Generally allowed, with some exceptions noted

Senior Centers

Regular programs still suspended with curbside or delivery meal services encouraged

Educational Institutions

Remain closed to in-person instruction (except for some special daytime activities)

Child Care Programs

May be open, however, no more than twelve children may occupy a room at one time

Hospitals and Nursing Homes

Must continue to restrict visitation

Governor Ivey noted that state health officials are carefully monitoring the COVID-19 situation across Alabama. She will issue further Orders as she deems necessary to protect the health of Alabamians while giving due consideration to the economic impact of COVID-19 related business closures. We will continue to keep you updated on developments as they occur.