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# COVID 19 Operations and Reintegration Plans

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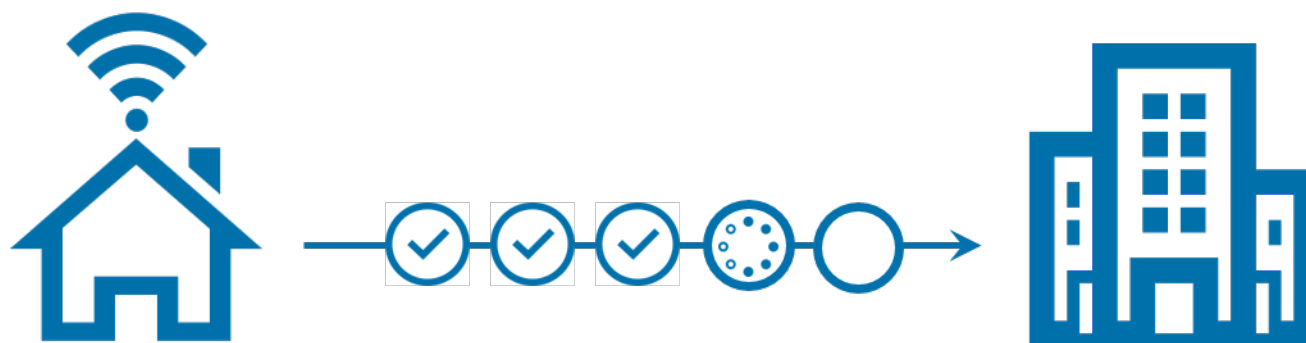
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# COVID & the path forward

# Return to the Office - The Saga Continues: Smart, Steady, Flexible

- Driven by local data
- Phased approach
- Using consistent protocols
- Timing will vary around the country
- **Federal vaccine mandate (new)**







# Phased Return to Onsite Work

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

U.S. Department of Commerce



COVID-19

S M A R T - S T E A D Y - F L E X I B L E



## Minimum 14 Day Phase Progression

Details on criteria for and execution of future phases may be updated as new information becomes available.

CRITERIA

Downward trajectory of COVID symptoms & positive tests. • Adequate PPE to execute NOAA missions safely.  
Local hospitals have capacity to treat all patients without crisis care. • No evidence of a rebound in cases.

## PHASE 0

## PHASE 1

## PHASE 2

## PHASE 3

MISSION ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES

MISSION CRITICAL ACTIVITIES

SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

ALL ACTIVITIES

FACE COVERING REQUIRED

REEVALUATE NEED

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

FREQUENT HANDWASHING

POSITIVE CASE FOLLOW-UP

REEVALUATE NEED

RESTRICTED STAFF ACCESS

UP TO 25% OCCUPANCY

UP TO 50% OCCUPANCY

NORMAL OCCUPANCY

NO PUBLIC ACCESS

LIMITED PUBLIC ACCESS

NORMAL PUBLIC ACCESS

COMMON AREAS CLOSED

LIMITED COMMON AREA ACCESS

COMMON AREAS OPEN

MANDATORY

MAXIMUM

ENCOURAGED  
MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE

ENCOURAGED

SUSPENDED

EMERGENCIES REQUIRE  
DUS and UNSEC APPROVAL

MISSION ESSENTIAL  
MISSION CRITICAL  
LO/50 APPROVAL REQUIRED

MISSION ESSENTIAL  
MISSION CRITICAL

REDUCED TRAVEL

VIRTUAL & REMOTE  
ONLY

VIRTUAL & REMOTE  
ONLY

VIRTUAL & REMOTE  
ONLY

VIRTUAL & REMOTE  
WHEN POSSIBLE  
REDUCE LARGE GATHERINGS

MISSION

HEALTH

FACILITIES

TELEWORK

TRAVEL

EVENTS

RETURN TO NORMAL OPERATIONS

This overall guidance for a phased return to onsite work can vary by location and may evolve based on data from local/state governments and public health officials.

# Mission Essential Travel: NOAA Research Fleet

- Greater flexibility in approval for travel associated with NOAA Research fleet
- Doesn't include small boats or charters
- Travelers must adhere to all NMFS and OMAO medical protocols



# Getting Back On Track

