

## Seattle King County NAACP Health Committee Coronavirus Watch 7/31/20

***Coronavirus remains a serious threat!***

<b>CURRENT OVERVIEW</b>				
▲ = increase compared to 7/24/20 update				
Location	Confirmed Cases		Total Deaths	
Global	17,516,264	▲ 1,847,884	678,695	▲ 40,452
US	4,559,008	▲ 452,662	153,361	▲ 8,028
Washington	55,803	▲ 4,979	1,564	▲ 69
King County	15,025	▲ 999	649	▲ 6

*Data source: Johns Hopkins University Coronavirus Resource Center & WA State Department of Health (DOH)*

*Data reflects the most accurate figures available as of 7pm PST on Fridays*

▲ = increase in cases/deaths

### **New Updates from the Office of the Governor (Washington State):**

- Several updates were made to the Safe Start plan (additional details in “Important Reminders”) in response to the growing number of COVID-19 cases we continue to experience:
  - **Service in restaurants, taverns, breweries, wineries, and distilleries has been modified effective 7/30/20** in order to maximize safety for patrons and staff (full list in link)
  - **All live entertainment is prohibited as of 7/20/20**, with the exception of members of the same household maintaining a social distance minimum of 10 feet (outdoors and wearing masks)
  - For more information, visit: <https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-releases-updated-reopening-guidance>

### **Seattle Public Schools Update:**

- **Superintendent Juneau is recommending to the School Board that Seattle Public Schools start the 2020-21 school year remotely; the School Board will vote on this recommendation as well as an associated plan for Fall 2020 on August 12<sup>th</sup> – STAY TUNED FOR UPDATES! [7/24/20]**
  - For more information, visit: [https://www.seattleschools.org/district/calendars/news/what\\_s\\_new/planning\\_for\\_re-entry](https://www.seattleschools.org/district/calendars/news/what_s_new/planning_for_re-entry)

### **Important Reminders:**

- Per the WA State Department of Health, **face masks/coverings are required for indoor public settings and/or when outdoors and unable to maintain 6 feet of physical distance from others**, in order to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Gatherings are limited to 5 individuals [<https://coronavirus.wa.gov/information-for-you-and-your-family/face-masks-or-cloth-face-covering>, effective 6/26/20 until further notice]
- Recent changes to the **Safe Start** plan (including updated timelines):
  - **Gatherings for Phase 2 counties (such as King) remains limited to 5 people; the Phase 3 gathering limit is 10 people** [effective 7/20/20]

- **Face coverings/masks are required in all common spaces** [effective 7/25/20]
- **Restaurants and bars will require indoor diners to be members of the same household**, in addition to other restrictions [effective 7/30/20]
- **Gyms/fitness centers will be limited to 5 people for Phase 2 counties**, and 25% capacity (Phase 3 counties) [effective 7/30/20]
- **Indoor family entertainment/recreation centers and indoor card rooms are prohibited from opening. Indoor movie theater occupancy will be 25% (Phase 3 counties)** [7/30/20]
- **New Safe Start guidance regarding weddings and funerals will go into effect on 8/10/20: occupancy will be limited to 20% capacity or 30 people with 6ft distances maintained.** Receptions will be prohibited, though the ceremonies themselves will continue to be permitted.
- For more information, visit: <https://medium.com/wagovernor/inslee-announces-rollbacks-to-some-activities-to-slow-covid-19-exposure-19003e510127> and
- **The eviction moratorium for WA will be extended to 10/15/20**, and Governor's Office staff will work with landlords and tenants in workgroups to discuss additional support [<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-extends-safe-start-proclamation-eviction-moratorium>, 7/25/20]
- **Businesses statewide will not be able to serve visitors who are not wearing face masks**, and are directed to require and enforce the use of face coverings, per Gov. Jay Inslee's **extension of the Safe Start proclamation**. Businesses risk closure and potential business license revocation. [<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-extends-safe-start-proclamation-issues-facial-coverings-guidance>, effective 7/7/20]
- Gov. Jay Inslee issued a proclamation related to the **DSHS Family Emergency Assistance Program (FEAP)**. **DSHS is authorized to expand eligibility for the FEAP to include individuals and families without children**. This proclamation is effective immediately and will expire at the end of the state of emergency. [<https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-issues-proclamation-related-family-emergency-assistance-program>, effective 7/9/20]
- The U.S. Small Business Administration's **Paycheck Protection Program** has resumed accepting applications with a **deadline of 8/8/20**, to provide small businesses with funding to keep workers on payroll. [<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program>, effective 7/6/20]

#### **Additional Resources:**

- **COVID-19 testing locations:** in addition to testing through your health care provider, **free and low-cost testing is available at several King county locations**. Call the **King County COVID-19 Call Center at 206-477-3977** (7 days/week, 8am-7pm PST) or visit the King County Public Health website. [<https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/care/testing/locations.aspx>]
- Need internet access to keep up with important updates? Use the **Washington State Department of Commerce's Drive-In WIFI hotspots Location Finder** for **FREE** emergency internet access, provided as a response to the impacts of COVID-19. [<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/building-infrastructure/washington-state-drive-in-wifi-hotspots-location-finder/>]

- **Mental and emotional support – Washington Listens** is offering FREE support specialists to help with managing stress due to COVID-19. Call **1-833-681-0211** (TTY and language access services are available). [<https://coronavirus.wa.gov/information-for/you-and-your-family/mental-and-emotional-well-being>]
- **The Washington State COVID-19 Assistance hotline** is available to provide information about COVID-19: call **1-800-525-0127** or text **“Coronavirus” to 211-211**. They are available Monday-Friday from 6am-10pm PST, and Saturday-Sunday (+state holidays) from 8am-6pm PST.
- **For a full list of city, community, county, state, and federal resources** call the **City of Seattle Customer Service Bureau** (Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm PST) at **206-684-CITY** (206-684-2489), or visit Mayor Durkan’s COVID-19 Resources for Community webpage. [<https://www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19>]