

ReOpen DC Advisory Group

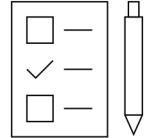
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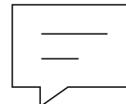
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Our stakeholder engagement...

**17k+**

Responses to the ReOpen DC survey
(300,000+ questions answered!)

**45+**

Focus groups with residents, community groups and business leaders

**100+**

In-depth interviews with community and business leaders

**650+**

Residents, advocates and business leaders engaged across focus groups and interviews

**10k+**

Townhall participants engaged

**250+**

Committee members provided insight to help bring expertise and diverse perspectives into the process

The ReOpen DC Advisory Group's recommendations reflect the voice of DC (2/2)

What we heard from residents on what they....

Need to feel safe

85% of survey respondents agreed with DC's current stay-at-home order

Importance of clear health and sanitation guidelines – “These regulations give consumers confidence that reopening is happening safely and help owners plan for the future of their businesses”

Need for **increased testing**

Want to prioritize in reopening

64% were supportive of a phased reopening

Financial support needed by **small, local businesses to stay afloat**

Preserving DC's culture: With faith, arts, sports, and entertainment as “*the key to the soul of the city*”

Prioritization of recreational and health facilities

Importance of childcare and widely recognized interdependencies among sectors reopening: “Without transit and childcare/schools reopening, people can't go back to work”

Want to ensure isn't left behind

82% expressed concern for vulnerable communities

Equitable approach to reopen: “All sectors should think about the equity implications of their actions and make sure people who are more at risk get support they need and can stay at home longer”

Chief concern about the **digital divide** and a **widening achievement gap**

Reskilling initiatives to prepare people for work in the “new normal”

The HOPE principles served as our anchor



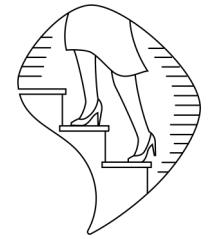
Health

We value a healthy and safe city

7,200+ residents

have tested positive for COVID-19 as of mid-May

“Public health should lead all reopening considerations and planning”



Opportunity

We value creating a chance for residents to thrive

95,000+ unemployment claims were filed for jobs in DC between mid-March and mid-May

“We need expanded government services and more forward-looking job and recovery programs”



Prosperity

We value a vibrant city

\$800 million decrease in FY 21 budget

“We must protect services that vulnerable people rely on, despite budget shortfalls”



Equity

We value diversity and improving outcomes for our most vulnerable

African Americans

represent **46%** of DC's population but

account for **77%** of COVID-19 deaths

“We have to understand unintended and long term consequences and meet people where they are”

ReOpen DC's 4-Stage Approach

	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3	STAGE 4
What is the nature of the pandemic?	Declining virus transmission	Only localized transmission	Sporadic transmission	Effective vaccine or cure
What is the nature of economic activity?	Key low-risk activities with strong safeguards (e.g., parks)	Additional activities with strong safeguards (e.g., indoor dining)	Higher-risk activities, with safeguards (e.g., pools)	A “new normal” for DC, likely with all activities as close to normal as possible
Gatherings?	Up to 10 people	Up to 50 people	Up to 250 people	All gatherings
Work remotely?	Strongly recommended	Strongly recommended	Encouraged	New normal
Travel?	Discouraged	Discouraged	Can resume	All travel

Meeting gating criteria will enable us to move from one stage to the next

Deterioration in gating criteria can halt progress or require us moving to back to earlier stages

Gating Criteria

DC HEALTH METRICS

To understand when DC is ready to move between stages, DC Health is monitoring:



Level of community spread (e.g., low transmission rate)



Healthcare system capacity (e.g., sufficient healthcare capacity without surge)



Testing capacity (e.g., ability to test all priority groups)



Public health system capacity (e.g., sufficient contact tracing capacity for all new cases and their close contacts)

For more information on what DC Health is monitoring and tracking, please visit: <https://coronavirus.dc.gov/>

Universal safeguards across stages



FOR INDIVIDUALS

Physical distancing of at least 6 ft. when not at home

Mask use in public spaces

Stringent personal sanitation and hygiene practices

Staying home when sick

Regular disinfection of surfaces and objects

Enhanced precautions if you are near or are part of a group that is particularly vulnerable to COVID-19 risks



FOR EMPLOYERS AND VENUES

Physical distancing of at least 6 ft. for employees and patrons or other safeguards where not possible due to the nature of the service

Stringent cleaning and sanitation standards in the workplace

Health screenings and personal protective equipment for employees and patrons

Protections for workers and their families who are fearful of illness, especially those from vulnerable populations

Education of employees about COVID-19

Strategies for **addressing and accommodating ill employees** (e.g., paid sick and family leave)



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Some residents are considered vulnerable based on their risk of being infected or severely impacted by COVID-19 and its related complications

Collective **commitment to the universal safeguards** is especially important for protecting DC's most vulnerable

People who are vulnerable—or who live with people who are vulnerable—should **practice stringent safeguarding and hygiene**

Employers should **give vulnerable employees and their families the flexibility** to protect themselves and their families, including staying home when necessary and feasible

Where additional exposure risks may exist (e.g., high-density public spaces), public and private efforts should be in place to **ensure access to hygiene/sanitation supplies, testing, and safe isolation** if needed

Proposed reopen staging across key areas (1/2)

	Activity / business function	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
Theme Work 	Hotels and accommodations	Open with safeguards	Open with safeguards	Open with safeguards
	Office spaces	Work from home strongly recommended	Work from home recommended but up to 25% capacity in office spaces allowed with distancing	Work from home encouraged but up to 50% capacity in office spaces allowed with distancing
	Construction sites	Open with safeguards	Open with safeguards	Open with safeguards
	Restaurants and food	Restaurants open outdoor seating with physical distancing and safeguards	Restaurants open indoor seating with physical distancing, safeguards, and up to 50% capacity	Restaurants continue 50% capacity, with case-by-case approvals for expansion
	Bars and nightclubs	Closed	Closed	Bars and clubs open with capacity limits (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft not to exceed 50% capacity)
	Retail	Non-essential retailers can provide curbside and delivery service	Non-essential retailers reopen in-store, with safeguards and capacity limits (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft not to exceed 50% capacity)	Non-essential retailers continue in-store, with safeguards and capacity limits (10 people per 1,000 sq. ft not to exceed 75% capacity)
	Personal services	Barbershops and hair salons reopen by appointment with strong safeguards and physical distancing (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft)	All other personal services (e.g., nail salons, massage spas) reopen by appointment with strong safeguards and physical distancing (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft)	All personal services continue by appointment with strong safeguards and physical distancing (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft)
	Childcare	Limited childcare open (e.g., for children of site-critical workers), limited to 10 people per room	Additional providers encouraged to reopen, limited to 10 people per room	Expanded childcare access with 10 people per room recommended
	Preschool-K-12 and adult education	Distance learning only	Schools partially reopen, starting with some schools for students who might benefit most from in-person instruction (e.g., students in transitional grades), followed by opening of all schools with blended instruction. No more than 10 people per classroom, and expectation of A/B schedules.	
	Higher education	Limited on-campus activities, as today	Colleges/universities to reopen gradually based on District-approved plans (additional guidance to come)	
Theme Learn 	Summer camps	Closed	Summer camps reopened with capacity constraints of 10 people per room for indoor activities and up to 50 for outdoor activities	Expanded access to summer camps with capacity constraints of 10 people per room for indoor activities and up to 250 for outdoor activities
	Libraries	Select libraries to provide limited curbside service	Some libraries open with some expanded services	All libraries open with safeguards
	Museums and exhibits	Closed	Museums open with limited capacity (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft not to exceed 50% capacity)	Museums can allow limited capacity (10 people per 1,000 sq. ft not to exceed 75% capacity)

Proposed reopen staging across key areas (2/2)

	Activity / business function	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
Engage 	Places of worship	Continued virtual worship services or groups up to 10 people	Places of worship open to up to 50 people, with safeguards and physical distancing	Places of worship open to up to 250 people, with safeguards and physical distancing
	Outdoor large gatherings (e.g., parades)	Closed	Outdoor events reopen with up to 50 people, with safeguards and physical distancing	Outdoor events open with up to 250 people, with safeguards and physical distancing
	Indoor venues (e.g., entertainment, arenas, theatres)	Closed	Venues partially reopen with up to 50 people, with safeguards and physical distancing	Venues open partially with up to 250 people with physical distancing
	Gyms and workout studios	Closed	Gyms and studios reopen with limited access (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft), with specified safeguards and physical distancing	Gyms and studios continue limited access (5 people per 1,000 sq. ft), with specified safeguards and physical distancing
	Parks and recreation	Parks, fields, tennis, tracks and golf courses reopen with safeguards; playgrounds closed	Some playgrounds reopen with safeguards	All parks and recreation facilities open with safeguards
	Communal pools (public and private)	Closed	Closed	Pools reopen with limited capacity and safeguards
	District government	District opens additional in-person services with safeguards and expands virtual service delivery	District opens some additional in-person services with safeguards	Most in-person services resume with safeguards
Access services 	Shared transit	Non-essential shared transit discouraged	Non-essential shared transit can resume	Non-essential shared transit can resume
	Public transit	Meet demand and allow for physical distancing	Continue to meet demand and allow for physical distancing	Expand to meet demand and allow for physical distancing
	Healthcare providers	Continue delivering inpatient and outpatient care, with providers monitoring and preserving health system capacity		
	Federal government	Federal government employees are a critical part of DC and their jobs vary based on the type of work they do across office spaces, parks, etc. Federal workers should follow the activity most applicable to their workplaces, in conjunction with guidance from agency leadership		

Cross-cutting ideas and enablers

CROSS-CUTTING IDEA OR ENABLER	DETAIL
Equity assurance and support for vulnerable populations 	<p>Monitoring equity throughout reopening to increase preparedness and mitigate outbreaks in vulnerable communities, focusing on prevention, health outcomes, and access to resources – collecting and publishing data (e.g., by race/ethnicity) to guide reforms</p> <p>Exploring innovative philanthropic partnerships to provide health and economic support to communities in need (e.g., financial education)</p>
Supports to end the digital divide 	<p>Providing access to and/or subsidizing broadband, devices, and training for all residents unable to access digital resources, to enable every Washingtonian to have the ability to work and learn, remotely</p>
Public-private testing partnership 	<p>Collaborating across DC government and private testing providers to track, report, and centrally coordinate DC's testing strategy, as well as manage rising supply and demand for testing needs during reopening, especially to meet needs of vulnerable residents and communities</p>
Reorientation of public spaces 	<p>Reorienting public spaces such as sidewalks and streets to support greater outdoor capacity for restaurants and other businesses</p> <p>Repurposing private spaces that are vacant during early reopening to distribute PPE, expand classroom/childcare space, etc.</p> <p>Reconfiguring road lanes and traffic signals to prioritize Lifeline Network bus corridors</p>
Coordinated reopening of education and transportation 	<p>Coordinating the reopening of schools, daycares, and transportation to help students and workers travel safely and provide parents dependent on childcare access to safe and reliable support</p>
Provision of PPE and supplies 	<p>Using government purchasing power and supply lines to quickly provide businesses, non-governmental organizations, and vulnerable residents with affordable or free PPE, cleaning supplies, thermometers, and other supplies that are needed to support reopening</p>
Shared accountability during reopen 	<p>Expecting adherence of individuals and employers/venues to DC's universal safeguards</p> <p>Launching DC-sponsored certification process to help businesses inspire residents' confidence</p>
Liability guidance for employers 	<p>Determining what flexibilities are needed to account for new scenarios that raise liability issues</p>
Clear and equitable outreach 	<p>Crafting narrative that inspires confidence and optimism, proclaiming the public health anchoring of reopen decisions and encouraging residents to support DC's businesses ("Shop Local")</p> <p>Making communications simple, multi-lingual, and informative to enable self-judgment and self-protection</p> <p>"Meeting residents where they are," especially vulnerable ones, via multi-channel outreach and trusted community partners</p>



OUR VALUES

Health



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Opportunity



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Prosperity



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Equity



REOPEN DC ADVISORY GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

OUR STAGES

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GATING CRITERIA

Level of community spread
Healthcare system capacity

Meeting our gating criteria

Testing capacity
Public health system capacity

Deterioration in our gating criteria

OUR SAFEGUARDS

UNIVERSAL SAFEGUARDS



For Individuals

Physical distancing of at least 6 ft. when not at home
Mask use in public spaces
Stringent personal hygiene
Staying home when sick
Regular disinfection of surfaces

For Employers and Venues

Physical distancing of at least 6 ft. for employees and patrons
Regular cleaning and strict sanitation
Use of health screenings and protective equipment
Protections for workers and their families, particularly vulnerable persons
Education of employees about COVID-19
Strategies for accommodating ill employees



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Protected through collective commitment to universal safeguards
Provided employer flexibility
Easy access to hygiene, sanitation supplies, testing and safe isolation

CORONAVIRUS

(COVID-19)

Situational Update

Thursday, May 21, 2020

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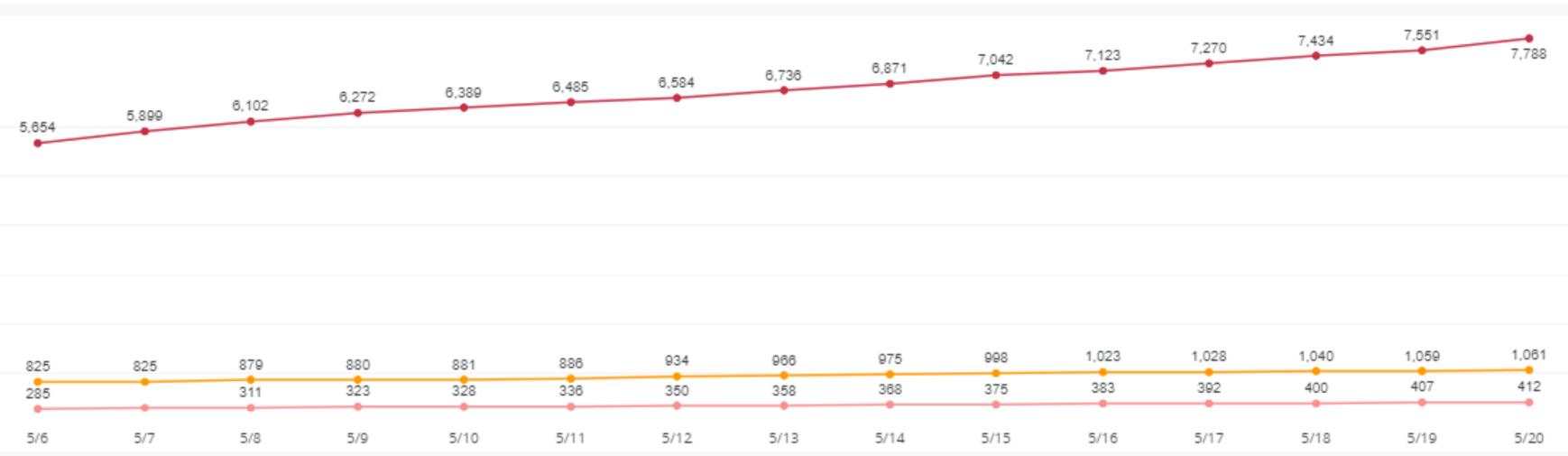


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Washington, DC's Curve

Since May 6, 2020



Total Positives

7,788

Total Recovered

1,061

Total Deaths

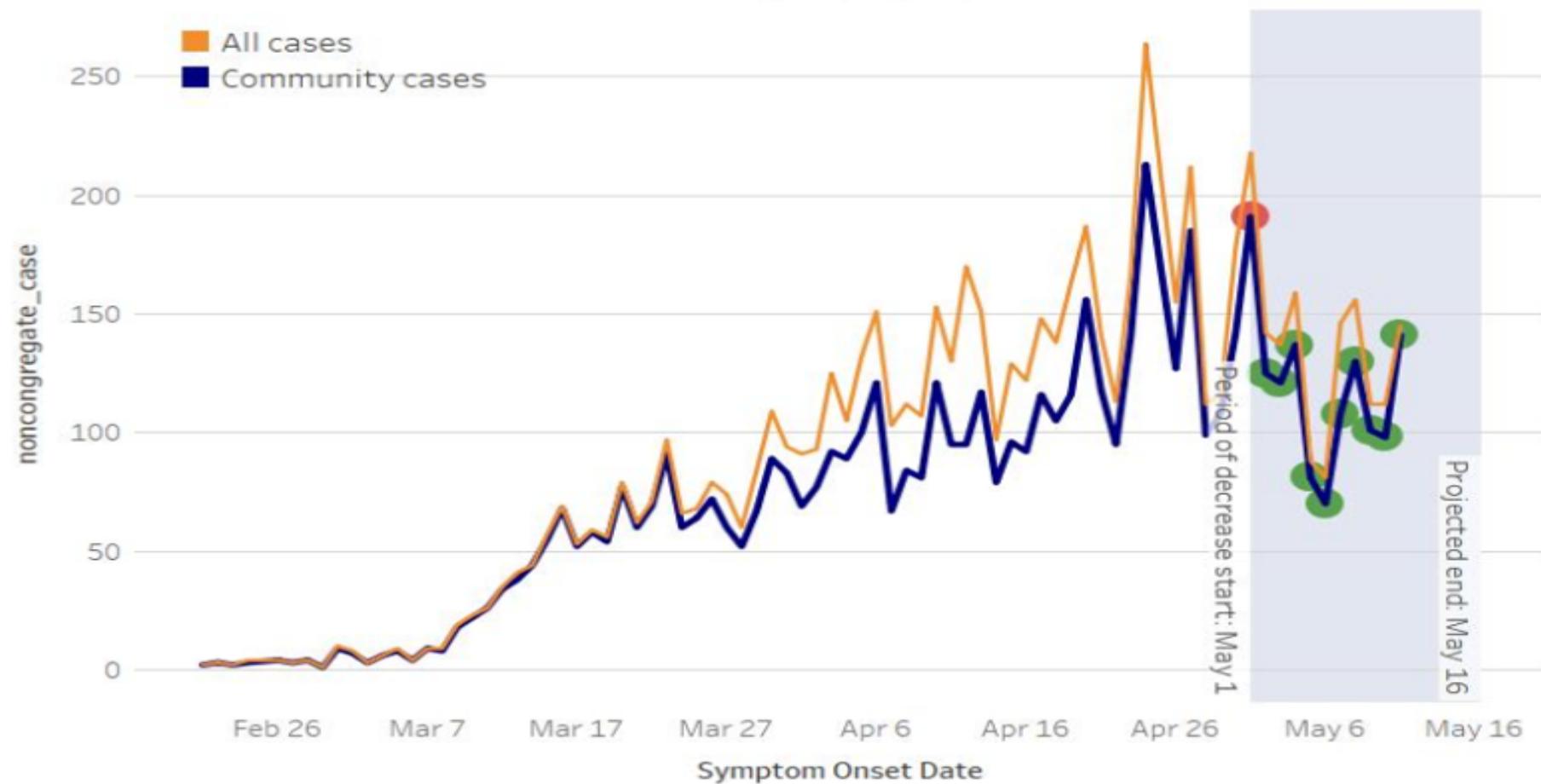
412

New confirmed cases over the past week:

- Thursday, May 14: **135**
- Friday, May 15: **171**
- Saturday, May 16: **81**
- Sunday, May 17: **147**
- Monday, May 18: **164**
- Tuesday, May 19: **117**
- Wednesday, May 20: **237**

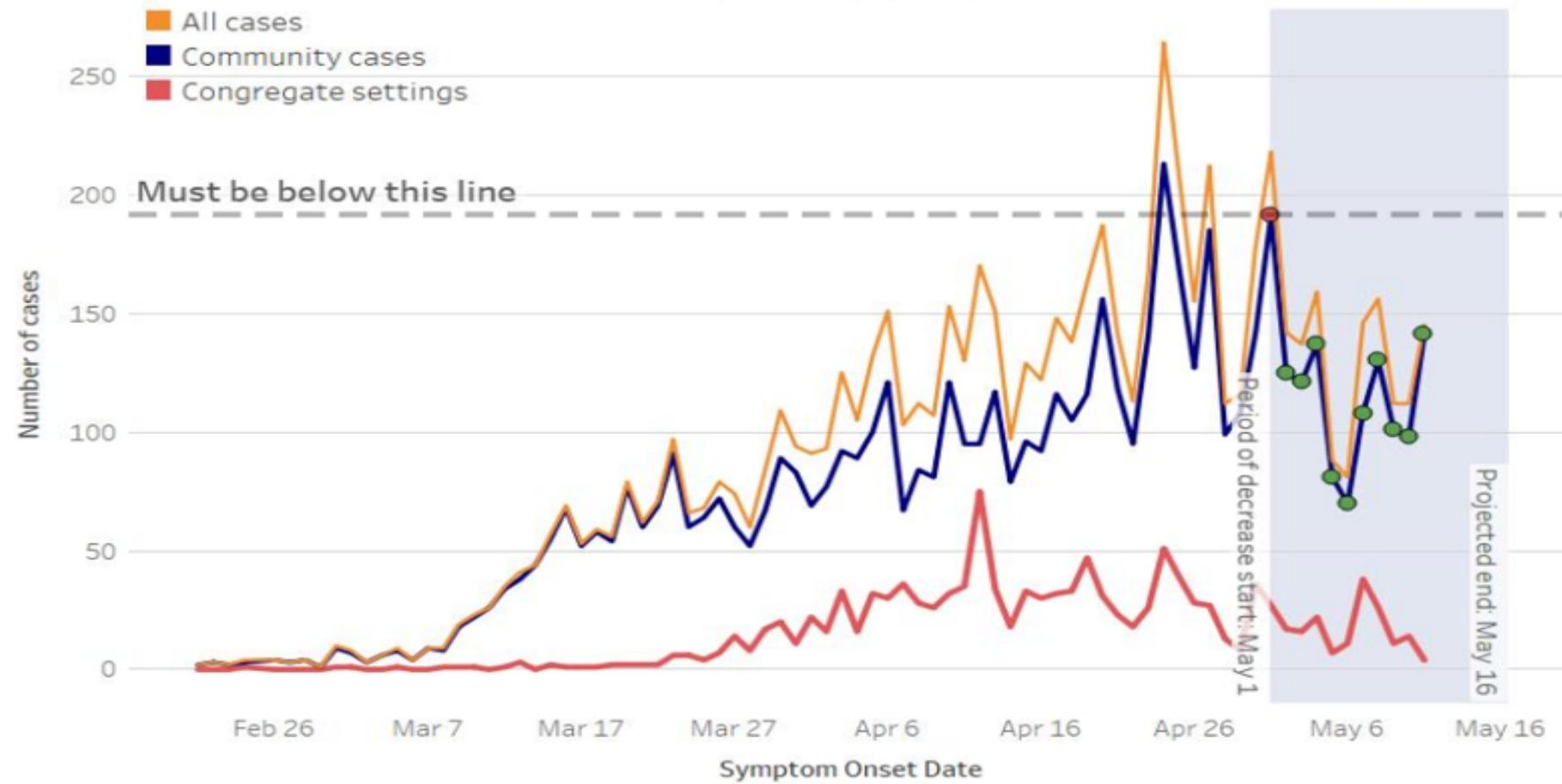
Community Spread

COVID cases within the community by symptom onset date



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COVID cases within the community by symptom onset date



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Sustained decrease in community spread

COVID cases within the community by symptom onset date



Community spread tracks the amount of virus circulating around the city.

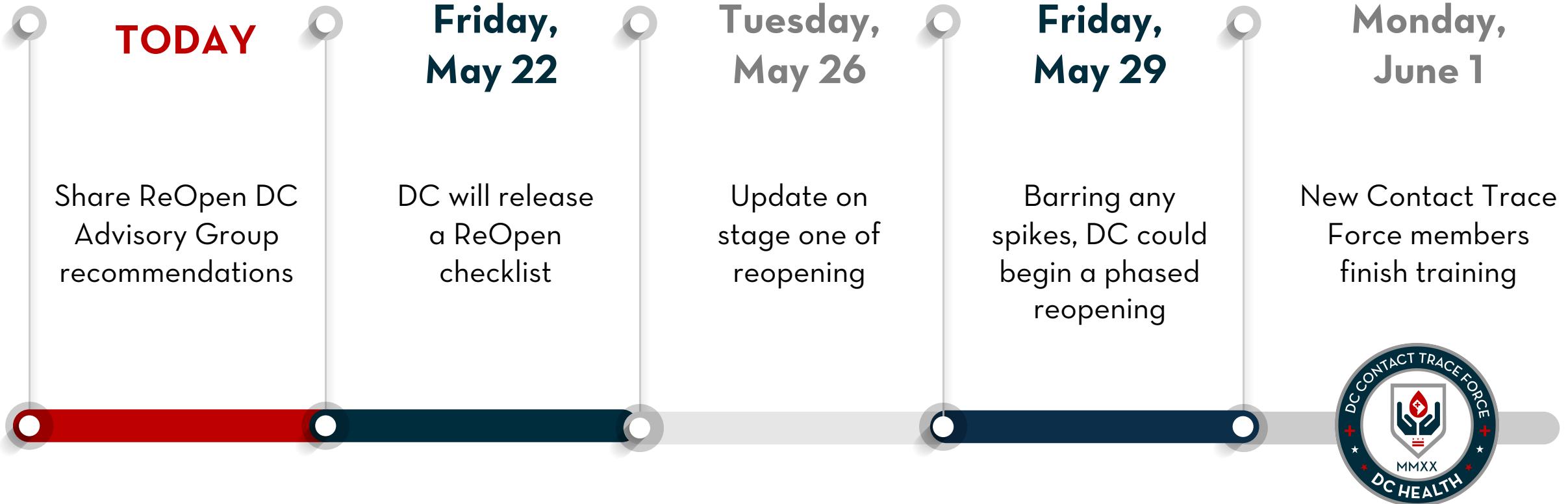
This data reflects symptom onset date, not the date cases were reported, and does not include cases in congregate settings.

The countdown to 14 days would restart if there is a day where the number of cases is more than two standard deviations outside of the rolling 5-day average. This means the metric accounts for expected, but slight, ups and downs.

DC Heath Metrics for Reopening

Metric	Phased Reopening	Where we are today (data as of 5/19)
COVID-19 Case Decline		
Sustained decrease in community spread	14-day decrease	11 day decrease
Low transmission rate (R_t)	$R_t < 1$ for 3 days	$R_t = 0.84$ (<1 for 9 days)
Testing Capacity		
Ability to test all 1) symptomatic, 2) at-risk healthcare workers, 3) essential workers, and 4) close contacts of all new positive cases	Ability to test all four groups	Ability to test all four groups
Health Care System Capacity		
Sufficient healthcare capacity without surge	<80% over 7 days	76% occupancy (over 14 days <80%)
Public Health System Capacity		
Sufficient contact tracing capacity for all new cases and their close contacts	Contact tracing attempt of new cases within 1 day and their close contacts within 2 days	Currently contact tracing priority populations and their close contacts

Possible Next Steps



Reopening Reminders

This is not
an on/off
switch

Expect a
new normal

Staying open
will require
everyone to do
their part



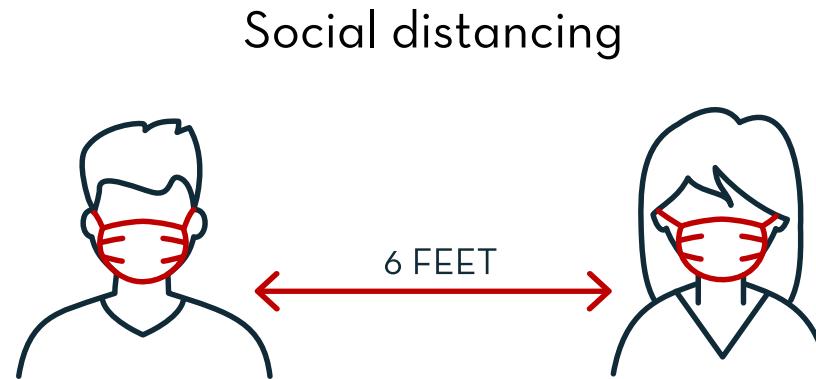
New Normal



Masks



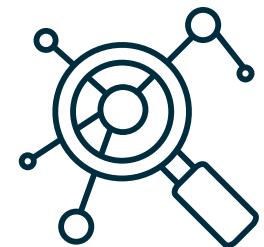
Staying home
when sick



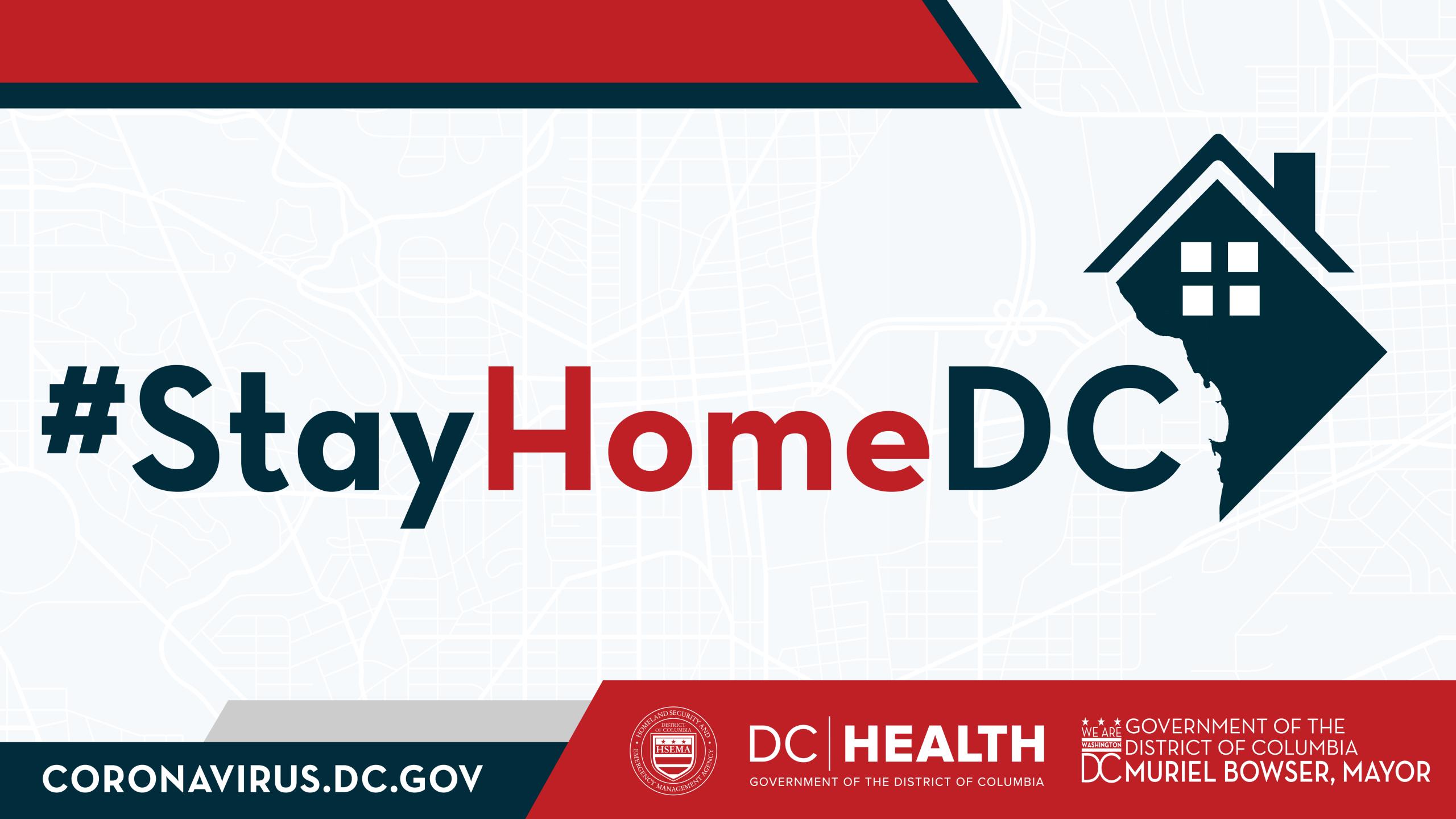
Social distancing



Frequent handwashing
and disinfecting



COVID-19 testing and
contact tracing



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