**Plan for Florida’s Recovery**

**Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step.**

Biggest obstacle: Fear

**Fundamental Guiding Principles:**

Public Health and Safety

Protection of Vulnerable

Health Care System Readiness

Protect Civil Liberties and Rights

Economic Recovery

Public Confidence

Partnership with Local Governments

**Continued Plan Against COVID-19**

Protect Vulnerable

Increase Testing

Promote social Distancing

Hospital Capacity

Prevent new introduction

**State Gating Criteria to Promote Re-Opening**

Cough Associated Admissions – large drop

Flu like illness visits – large drops

COVID Cases – declining cases over all

Positivity Rate Trend – steadily decreasing

Crisis Care for Hospital Care – abundance available

**Phase 1**

**Starts - Monday, May 4**

**Excludes Miami/Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach**

**BASICS:**

* Expanded testing beyond what is currently done (Walk-up, Drive-in)
	+ Broward, Escambia, Lee, Sarasota/Manatee, Miami/Dade
* Mobile Labs to receive faster results from tests
* Increased Contact Tracing

**General Business**

Schools remain in distance learning

No visitors to long-term care facilities (will revisit this regularly)

Elective surgeries resume

Restaurants - outdoor seating may open with social distancing

Restaurants - Indoor seating at 25% capacity with distancing

Retail can operate at 25% of indoor capacity

No change for bars, gyms, and personal services such as hair dressers (Watching other states and their impact in opening to re-evaluate)

**Socializing:**

Vulnerable population should avoid crowds and close contact, try to stay home

Maximize physical distancing in public places

Avoid groups of 10 or more people

Face masks are recommended, if unable to properly socially distancing

**Next Steps to graduate to Phase 2:**

State maintains health benchmarks

Hospital beds needs from COVID remain low

Monitor COVID Test positivity rate remains low

Symptomatic Increases at medical facilities would be minimal

**Questions from the press:**

Current trend to graduate to the next level?

* Taking major steps and beginning with a baby step and monitoring daily/weekly

What does phase 2 look-like?

* Federal Guidance is our road map. Deviated on movie theaters but mostly looking there
* Allow some bars to open with limited seating
* More restaurant seating
* Some events (i.e.: wrestle mania, UFC) but no fans, some golf (with limited viewing)

Application/ local Gov’t

* Gov. is consulting with the three counties most impacted. They are exempt and watching as they progress.
* Applies to the rest of the state. These are with the best health officials’ recommendations.

What happens if numbers of COVID-19 cases increase? When would a shutdown be instituted again?

* To re-evaluate, convincing evidence that the influx is tied to the steps implemented in opening the state back up.

Businesses that are capable to be open?

* Essential business that are currently operating
* Reasonable operation of retail business with minimal foot traffic
* Expansion of Restaurants

Local Governments ability to have stricter guidelines?

* We have not pre-empted locals, but it is hard pressed to be stricter than the state regulations.
* Southeast Florida is different. Their leadership is doing well and their areas are close to being capable of meeting these state standards.