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Four Stage Reopen Plan

The Governor's biggest announcement today was a four stage plan to reopen schools and businesses. He emphasized multiple times that we are *weeks* away from meaningful modifications, not months.

Stage 1: Safety & Preparedness

- This is the where we currently are.
- Focus on making essential workplaces safe for employees and customers.
- Plan for proceeding stages by establishing contact tracing, obtaining PPE, and building surge capacity.
- Before moving to stage two there are several actions needed:
 - Government: Must institute policies to allow workers to stay home sick and provide guidance on how to reduce risk.
 - Business: Must make modifications to lower workplace risks and allow employees to continue working from home, where possible.
 - Individuals: Must take safety precautions like distancing and wearing masks, avoid non-essential travel, and care for high risk communities.

Stage 2: Open Lower Risk Workplaces & Childcare

- The Governor did not give a timeline or when we will move to Stage 2.
- Gradually reopen lower risk places like retail, manufacturing, offices where telework is not possible, and public spaces (ie parks, trails).
- Allow childcare facilities to provide more care and enable parents to return to work.
- Expand the social safety net, including sick leave and wage replacement to allow those who return to work to stay home when sick.

Stage 3: Open Higher Risk Workplaces

- Includes three categories of businesses where close proximity cannot be avoided:
 - Personal care (ex. barbers, salons, spas, and gyms)
 - Entertainment venues (ex. Movie theaters, sports without live audiences)
 - In-person religious services (ex. Churches, weddings)
- These businesses will require much more adaptation to ensure safety.

Stage 4: End of Stay-at-Home Order

- This will be done as a modification of the state-wide order.
- Highest risk businesses can begin to resume like concerts, convention centers, and live audience sports.

Regional Variation

Both the Governor and Dr. Angell discussed the concept of “regional variation” when it comes to lifting health precautions and re-opening businesses. They designated Stage 2 as the time when counties can choose to start relaxing stricter local orders. However, Dr. Angell noted that greater regional variations will be made possible once a statewide COVID-19 surveillance system is in place. This will allow county public health officials to make decisions based, not only on data in their own county, but in surrounding areas.

Schools

The Governor said that they are considering starting the new school year as early as July or August to help make up for lost learning time. However, in order to do so the state and districts must ensure that schools are sanitized, PPE is available, and physical modifications are made to keep students and teachers safe. He did not specify when there will be an official announcement on schools reopening.

COVID by the numbers

- 1,576 new positive cases since yesterday
- 54 people who passed away since yesterday
- 2.5% increase in hospitalizations since yesterday
- “Slight decrease” in ICU admits since yesterday

Testing

In total, there have been 570,000 tests conducted in California. The capacity is up to 20,000 tests per day, with the goal of tripling this in the coming months. The Governor’s office has coordinated the opening of 80 more testing facilities, especially focusing on rural areas, and he announced that Sutter and Shasta Counties will have new sites opening by Monday.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

So far this week the state has received 3.1 million masks, and has distributed 2.87 million of them. The Governor said these have largely gone to fill back orders at hospitals and other medical facilities, but they are expecting another plane-load tomorrow.

California Resilience Roadmap Stages



STAGE 1

Safety and Preparedness

- This is where we are now
- Continue to build out testing, contact tracing, PPE, and hospital surge capacity
- Making essential workforce environments as safe as possible
- Prepare sector-by-sector safety guidelines for expanded workforce

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STAGE 2

Lower Risk Workplaces

- Gradually opening some lower risk workplaces with adaptations
 - Retail (e.g. curbside pickup)
 - Manufacturing
 - Offices (when telework is not possible)
 - More public spaces

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STAGE 3

Higher Risk Workplaces

- Open higher risk environments with adaptations and limits on size of gatherings
 - Personal care (hair and nail salons, gyms)
 - Entertainment venues (movie theaters, sports without live audiences)
 - In-person religious services (churches, weddings)

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STAGE 4

End of Stay-At-Home Order

- Re-open highest risk environments and venues once therapeutics have been developed
 - Concerts
 - Convention centers
 - Live audience sports

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