



COLORADO

Department of Public
Health & Environment

Application for Variance

Name of County: Douglas County

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Douglas County requests a variance from the following restrictions in Executive Order D 2020 044 and/or Public Health Order 20-28.

List the sections of Executive Order D 2020 044 and/or Public Health Order 20-28 that a variance is being sought for:

For Theaters see Attachment D of the attached June 19, 2020 Suppression Plan.
For Team Sports see Attachment E of the attached June 19, 2020 Suppression Plan.
For Pools see Attachment F of the attached June 19, 2020 Suppression Plan.

Summarize alternate restrictions being proposed to replace the above-referenced restrictions and indicate where in the Plan these alternate restrictions are addressed:

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Upload your county COVID-19 Suppression Plan and documentation demonstrating approval by the county commissioners, and confirmation from all impacted local hospitals that they can serve all individuals needing their care. Provide a brief summary of each of the following elements contained in the county COVID-19 Suppression Plan and indicate where in the Plan more information can be found for each element.

1. Prevalence of COVID -19 within the county
See pages 3 and 4 of the attached Suppression Plan.

2. Hospital Capacity
See page 5 of the attached Suppression Plan.



3. Local containment measures

See pages 6 through 8 of the attached Suppression Plan.

4. Conditions to determine the variance is not providing adequate COVID-19 protection and the triggers for tightening restrictions.

See page 9 of the attached Suppression Plan.

 Confirm that the variance requested does not lessen or eliminate the protections for Vulnerable Individuals in the Safer at Home Order and PHO 20-28.

 Confirm that the county will collect and monitor data to evaluate the impacts of the variance. and make such data available upon request by CDPHE.

Additional information relevant to the requested variance

By signing below, I attest that I am authorized pursuant to the adoption of the COVID-19 Suppression Plan by the Board of County Commissioners to submit this variance request to CDPHE for consideration.

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2020-06-19

Signature

Date



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COVID-19 SUPPRESSION PLAN

**DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO
JUNE 19, 2020**



Douglas County Suppression Plan

The Douglas County Suppression Plan is designed to be a dynamic document that can be modified as time progresses, additional data becomes available, and the impacts of decisions to change and reopen economic avenues are measurable. This suppression plan is comprised of the following components:

- #1 Prevalence of COVID-19 cases within Douglas County
- #2 Hospital Capacity
- #3 Local Containment Measures
- #4 Conditions to determine the variance is not providing adequate COVID-19 protection and triggers for tightening restrictions.
- #5 Industry Specific Appendices
 - Appendix A – Theaters
 - Appendix B – Team Sports
 - Appendix C – Pools

Attachments

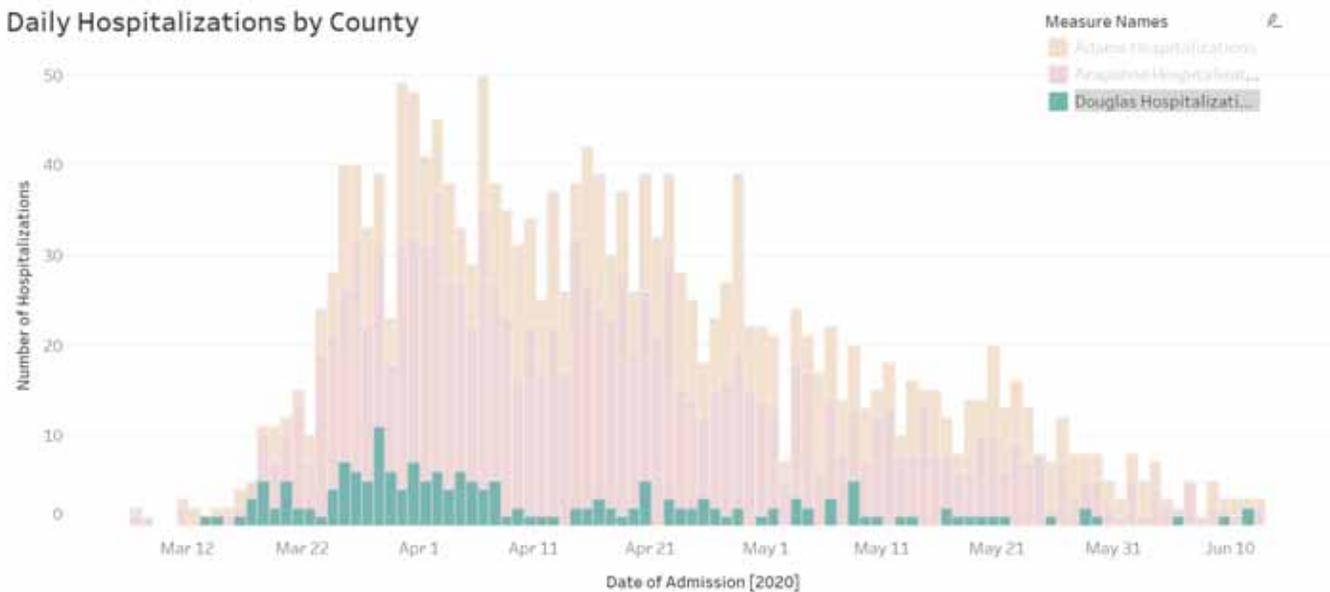
- Attachment A – Douglas County Data Dashboard and Board of Commissioners Letter
- Attachment B – Hospital Letters Addendum
- Attachment C – Tri-County Health Department Letter
- Attachment D – Theaters Variance Guidelines
- Attachment E – Team Sports Variance Guidelines
- Attachment F – Pools Variance Guidelines



#1 INCIDENCE OF COVID-19 WITHIN DOUGLAS COUNTY

As of June 19, per CDPHE case data, there have been 831 confirmed cases in Douglas County. This makes up only 2.75% of all the confirmed cases in the State of Colorado. Douglas County is in a unique position in comparison with other metro counties due to our lower disease rate parameters and proactive development of actionable measures.

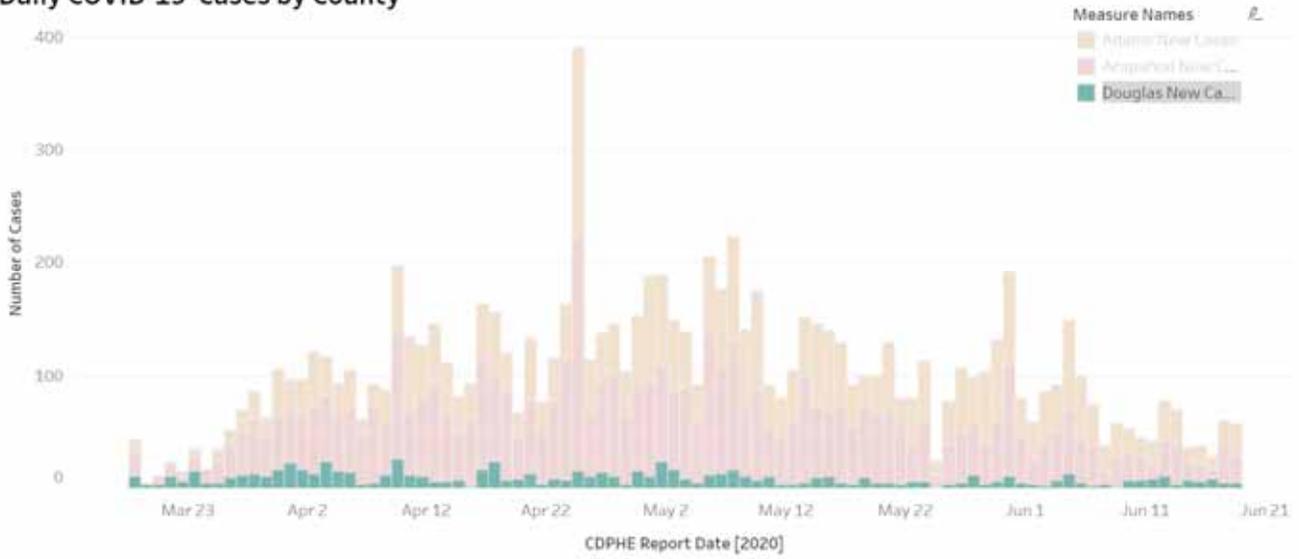
As of June 19, 2020, 0.22% of the Douglas County population of 370,000 have tested positive for COVID-19. There has been no sustained surge in the number of cases requiring hospitalization as a result of COVID-19 and Douglas County citizens performed well in compliance with the Stay-At-Home order. The following graph illustrate the historical trajectory of COVID-19 hospitalizations related to COVID-19 in Douglas County.



The graph on the following page illustrates the historical trajectory of COVID-19 cases in Douglas County since the beginning of March.



Daily COVID-19 Cases by County



The County Commissioners are provided a daily data dashboard of case data related to COVID-19 (see Attachment A for an example). The information collected and analyzed prior to publishing the reports will continue to be collected. The County will continue to collect and monitor data to evaluate the impacts of the variance and will make such data available upon request by CDPHE.



#2 HOSPITAL CAPACITY

There are five hospitals located within Douglas County:

1. Castle Rock Adventist Hospital, 2350 Meadows Blvd, Castle Rock, CO 80109
2. Children's Hospital Colorado South Campus, 1811 Plaza Dr, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129
3. Parker Adventist Hospital, 9395 Crown Crest Blvd, Parker, CO 80138
4. Sky Ridge Medical Center, 10101 Ridgeway Pkwy, Lone Tree, CO 80124
5. UHealth Highlands Ranch Hospital, 1500 Park Central Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

See Attachment B for the letters and affirmations from the hospitals regarding the existing ability to serve individuals seeking care from a hospital in Douglas County.



#3 LOCAL CONTAINMENT MEASURES

Local containment measures fundamental to this suppression plan include:

- Contact Tracing
- Diagnostic Testing
- Personal Responsibility

Contact Tracing

The implementation of diagnostic testing coupled with contact tracing is essential to the prevention of community spread. Douglas County has only experienced five outbreaks in care facilities, all involving five residents or less. The Tri-County Health Department (TCHD) epidemiologists continue to investigate COVID-19 cases to control and prevent the spread of illness to others. The TCHD public health professionals are working closely with CDC, CDPHE, and other local county and municipal partners to respond to the situation carefully and share information. The TCHD has a strong infectious disease surveillance system in place that also leverages local partnerships with hospitals and clinics. They are committed to identifying cases quickly and responding to them effectively. TCHD is in the process of expanding the Operations Branch in the Incident Management System and planning to create up to 33 Contact Tracing Teams. These teams will be filled using internal TCHD staff and volunteers, as needed and as determined by number of positive cases reported to the health department.

TCHD includes the following two dashboards on their public facing data dashboard. The graphic shows the average individual movement. For Douglas County the Average Individual Movement is 2.229, which is less than both surrounding counties of Jefferson (2.263) and Arapahoe (2.771).

Average Individual Movement

Seven County Metro Denver Area

*Darker colors indicate move average daily movement. Hover over county to get average individual travel.

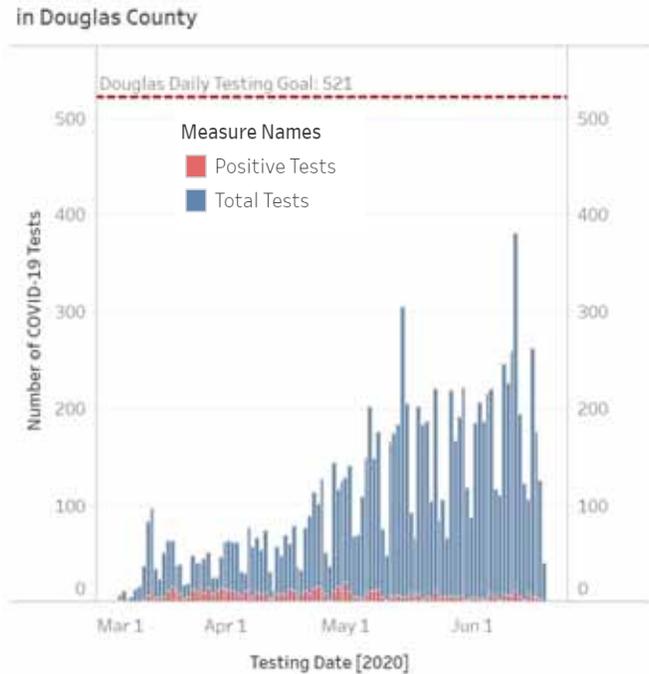


In support of this effort to ramp up case detection, the TCHD will focus the Contact Tracing Teams' capacity to follow up on any COVID-19 positive result by PCR (polymerase chain reaction) testing. The TCHD provides updated information and resources about testing on its website and is helping to facilitate connections between Douglas County and testing partners, such as STRIDE and the Little Clinic. Douglas County is able to acquire more testing kits through the CDPHE streamlined ordering system.



Diagnostic Testing

As testing supplies and personal protective equipment become more readily available and the number of testing sites increases, interpersonal transmission within Douglas County from a known infected individual can be greatly reduced. By increasing community testing options those who have contracted the virus can be diagnosed, isolated and receive any treatment deemed necessary. Symptomatic citizens can get tested at Douglas County's five hospitals or dozens of clinics. There are also clinics who will test individuals who have simply been exposed to those who have tested positive or who have traveled recently. Through new partnerships actively being sought with the King Soopers Little Clinic and Stride Community Center, local testing capacity could increase tremendously to those who are both symptomatic and asymptomatic. Douglas County is also collaborating with TCHD staff to identify and leverage existing sites with unused capacity to ramp up testing efficiently.



In coordination with SECORCares, STRIDE Community Health Center held a mobile on-site COVID-19 testing for residents of Douglas County who were symptomatic. The COVID-19 testing was held on Thursday, June 4, 2020, at SECORCares 17151 Pine Lane Parker, CO 80134. Testing was available to individuals with or without health insurance. IgG antibody testing was not provided at this location.

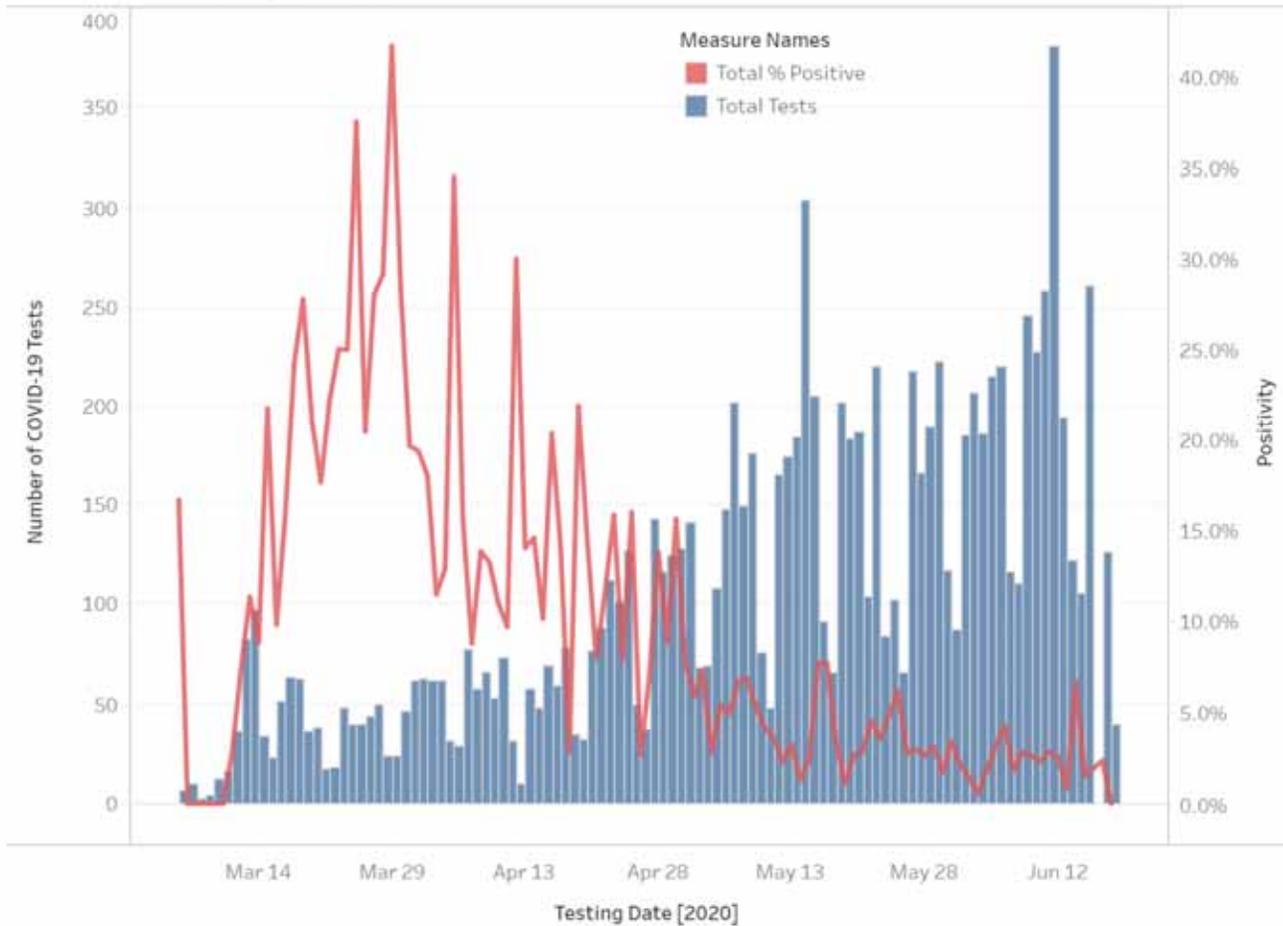
Tri-County Health Department is using a study by Harvard¹ which established recommendations for each state and the appropriate level of testing. A workgroup of the Denver Metro public health agencies developed a document that outlined each county's levels based on Harvard's recommendations. The document utilized a methodology which divided the tests by the population and then allocated that number of tests to each county based on population. The following graphic from Tri-County Health Department shows the total tests within Douglas County and the percent of those tests that came back positive.

¹ "Analysis: More than half of U.S. states aren't doing enough COVID-19 testing" <https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/news/hsph-in-the-news/analysis-more-than-half-of-u-s-states-arent-doing-enough-covid-19-testing/>



Daily Trend of COVID-19 Positivity Data and Daily Tests

*Total tests excludes IgA, IgG, and IgM



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Personal Responsibility

The Douglas County Suppression Plan includes the assumption that individuals are responsible for not going out in public if sick, isolating if displaying symptoms of COVID-19 and taking adequate precautions to protect high-risk populations including the recommendation to wear non-medical face coverings. Public gatherings may occur provided social distancing requirements can be met, and on recent occasions when there have been challenges to this parameter, county leadership has supported TCHD efforts to limit such gatherings. Lastly, high-risk and older adult populations maintain social distancing levels seen under the Stay-At-Home Order.



#4 CONDITIONS TO DETERMINE THE VARIANCE IS NOT PROVIDING ADEQUATE COVID-19 PROTECTION AND TRIGGERS FOR TIGHTENING RESTRICTIONS.

If the following County and industry specific conditions occur (these conditions do not apply to outbreaks that occur in institutionalized facilities located in the County including healthcare, long-term care and skilled nursing, jails, group homes, independent living, and more) TCHD will make a determination that the variance is not providing adequate COVID-19 protection, and determine mitigation steps and criteria for reopening for each specific industry:

- A substantial increase in hospitalizations directly related to COVID-19 over a 2-week period;
- Inability of TCHD to implement adequate contact tracing capacity sufficient to investigate new cases and notify contacts within 24 hours of a known positive test result.
 - If a business or operation experiences an outbreak which TCHD can trace back to specific business or operation, that business or operation must temporarily close and review re-opening protocols

#5 INDUSTRY SPECIFIC APPENDICES

- A. Theaters - for the purpose of this variance, see Attachment D
- B. Team Sports - for the purpose of this variance, see Attachment E
- C. Pools - for the purpose of this variance, see Attachment F

TCHD confirms that the standards and guidelines within this variance do not lessen or eliminate the protections for Vulnerable Individuals in the Safer at Home Order and Sixth Amended PHO 20-28. Future variance requests for Douglas County will be delegated to TCHD which will have full authority to approve, deny, or modify such future requests.

Attachment A

DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 DATA DASHBOARD DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Case & Testing Data is from June 18, 2020

All data is pulled from Tri-County Health Data –

<https://www.tchd.org/823/Case-Updates> and <https://www.tchd.org/823/Case-Updates>

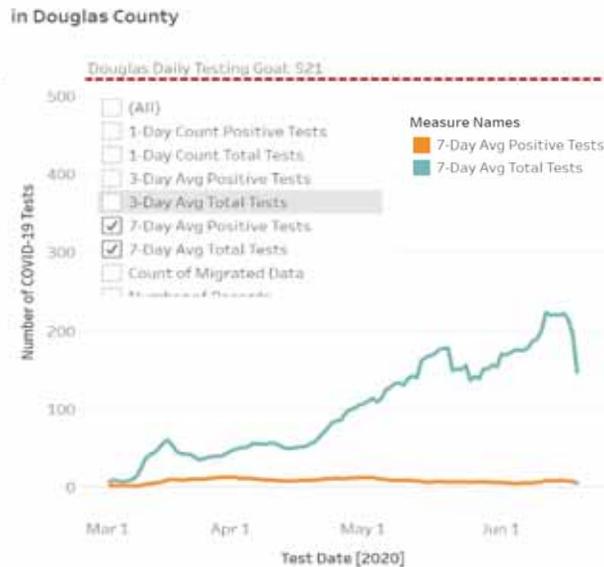
COVID-19 SUMMARY DATA			
	ADAMS COUNTY	ARAPAHOE COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY
Case Data -			
3 Day rolling Average New Cases (6/15-6/18)	20.00	22.33	6.00
Total Cases Since March 3, 2020	3,819	4,885	825
New Hospitalizations 6/5 – 6/12			
	8	13	4
Testing*			
Number of tests 7-day average	340.3	427.7	146.3
Positive tests 7-day average	20.7	21.3	3.7

*Testing data is through June 17, 2020

CDPHE Transmission Level ¹ as of June 11	
Douglas County Transmission Level	LOW
14-day Cases per 100,000	23.04
Stable or Declining Average Hospitalizations	Stable

TESTING & POSITIVES

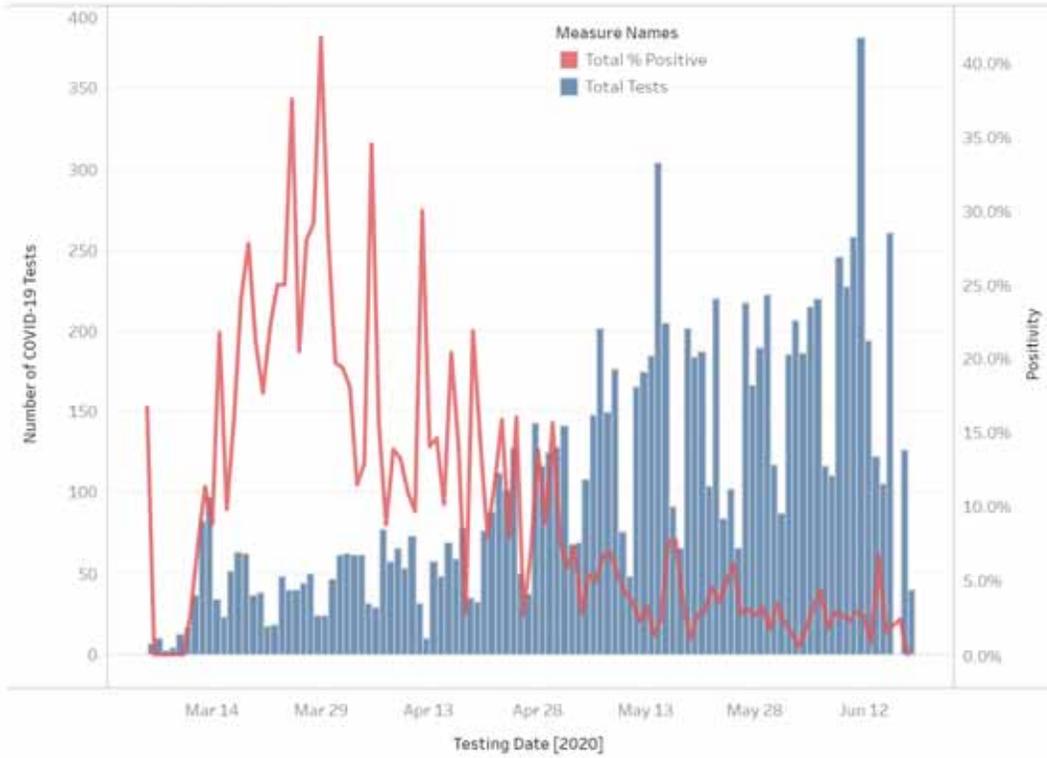
Douglas County 7-day average Tests and Positives



¹ CDPHE transmission level definitions - <https://covid19.colorado.gov/public-health-executive-orders/local-orders-variances>
Due to the lag in data reporting the Transmission Level is rated based on the most recent available data.

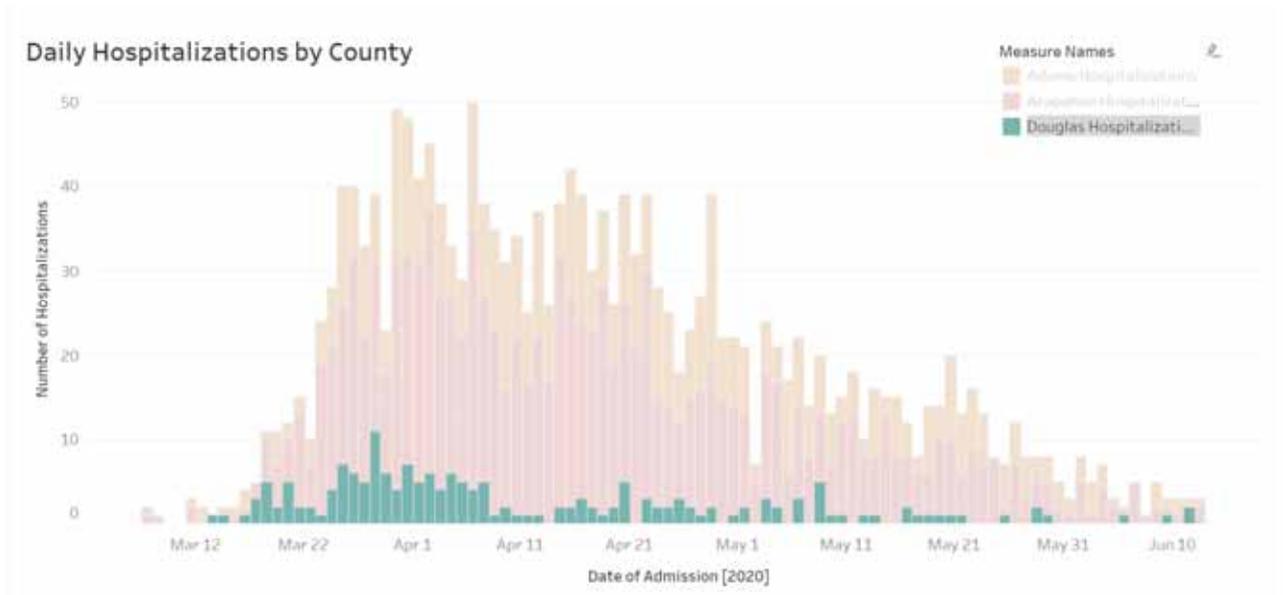
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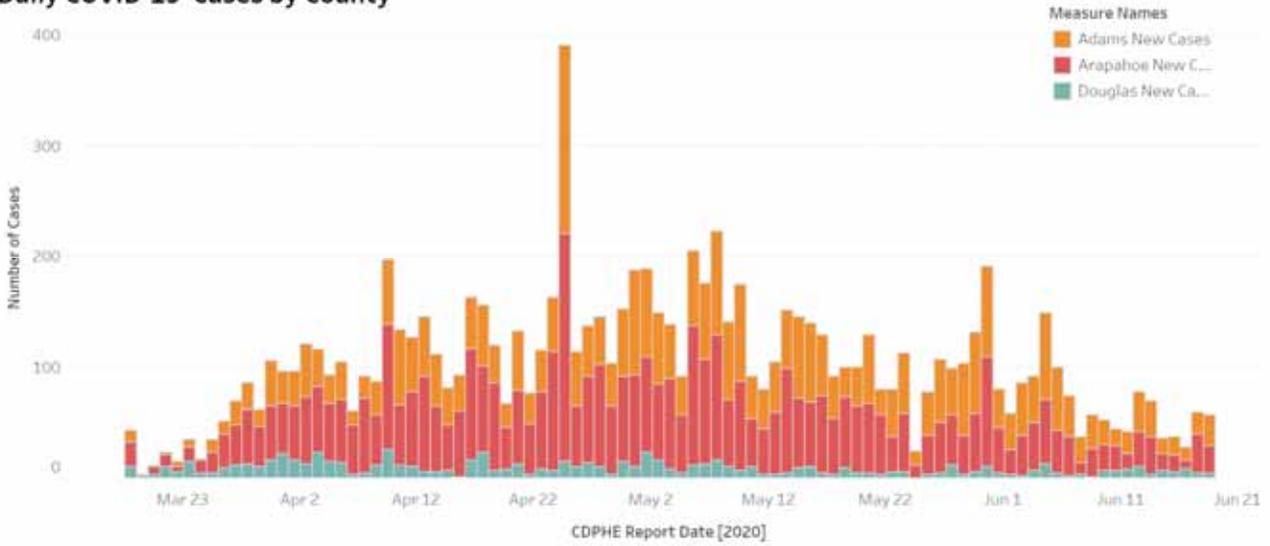
COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS & ICU ADMISSIONS

Hospitalizations and ICU Admissions data has not been updated since June 11, 2020



COVID-19 CASE DATA

Daily COVID-19 Cases by County



COVID-19 Cases by County

Cases currently reported to Tri-County Health Department. These totals may be higher than daily total case counts.



Past-14-Day Incidence Rates (per 100,000)

Adams, Arapahoe and Douglas Counties

Adams_Incidence	Arapahoe_Incidence	Douglas_Incidence
70.58	50.97	23.04



May 15, 2020

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
Denver, CO 80246

To **Executive** Director Jill Hunsaker Ryan:

The Board of County Commissioners voted to adopt the Douglas County Suppression Plan in place of the identified portions of the Safer-At-Home Public Health Order. The Board of County Commissioners respectfully request your approval of the updated Suppression Plan and associated variance request.

Sincerely,

Douglas County Board of County Commissioners

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Roger A. Partridge
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Roger A. Partridge, Chair
Commissioner District II

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ATTACHMENT B – DOUGLAS COUNTY SUPPRESSION PLAN

**DOUGLAS COUNTY SUPPRESSION PLAN
MAY 2020**

HOSPITAL LETTERS ADDENDUM

This addendum includes letters regarding equipment and capacity capabilities from the 5 hospitals within Douglas County. This addendum is part of the Douglas County Suppression Plan.



We extend the healing ministry of Christ by caring for those who are ill and by nurturing the health of the people in our communities.

May 12, 2020

VIA EMAIL - rpartrid@douglas.co.us

Roger Partridge
Douglas County Commissioner

RE: Attestation re Parker Adventist Hospital and Castle Rock Adventist Hospital

Dear Roger,

In response to your request for documentation in support of the Douglas County Variance to the Amended Safer At Home Public Health Order 20-28, Parker Adventist Hospital and Castle Rock Adventist Hospital will continue to monitor their available ICU beds and ventilators, and each regularly monitors its supply of personal protective equipment and hospital staff in anticipation of and in preparation for a surge or resurgence of COVID-19 patients. Parker Adventist Hospital and Castle Rock Adventist Hospital have reviewed the Douglas County Suppression Plan and each hospital is prepared to serve COVID-19 patients in Douglas County.

Regards,

**Centura Health
For Parker Adventist Hospital
and Castle Rock Adventist Hospital**

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Kris Ordelheide
Senior Vice President
& General Counsel

cc: Michael Goebel, President & CEO – Parker Adventist Hospital
Brandon Nudd, President & CEO – Castle Rock Adventist Hospital
Devin C. Bateman, MD, CMO – Parker Adventist Hospital &
Castle Rock Adventist Hospital



Douglas County Office of Emergency Management
4000 Justice Way
Castle Rock, CO 80109

May 8, 2020

On April 26, 2020, Governor Jared Polis issued Executive Order, D 2020 044, Safer at Home (the "**Executive Order**"). Section II.M. of the Executive Order, provides for application for variances for the Executive Order as follows:

"Any county wishing to apply for a local variance from part or all of this Executive Order must submit a written application to CDPHE certifying that the county has low case counts of COVID-19 cases or can document fourteen (14) consecutive days of decline in COVID-19 cases reported in the county. The application must include a written COVID-19 suppression plan approved by the appropriate local public health authority, all hospitals within the county (unless no hospitals are located in the county), and a majority of the county commissioners, or, in the case of the City and County of Denver, the mayor of Denver, or, in the case of the City and County of Broomfield, the city council."

Pursuant to the Executive Order, Children's Hospital Colorado ("**Hospital**") has been asked by Douglas County ("**County**") to review the County's COVID-19 Suppression Plan with respect to the County's request for a Variance (the "**Variance Request**"), dated May 7, 2020, under the Executive Order.

In reviewing the County's COVID-19 Suppression Plan, and except as expressly set forth below, Hospital assumes the completeness and accuracy of all facts and assumptions set forth in the Variance Request; however, Hospital does not provide an opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of such facts or assumptions. Hospital is also expressly relying on completeness and accuracy of data for current and estimated rates of infection and hospitalizations in and around the County's primary service area provided to Hospital by the County and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment ("**CDPHE**") Finally, Hospital does not opine on the secondary effect of people traveling to or from the County's primary service area to other locations in the State or nationally.

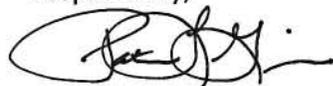
Based on the foregoing assumptions:

1. Hospital currently has 36 ICU beds available and such ICU beds are sufficient for Hospital to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on the current infection data;

2. Hospital currently has 92 ventilators available and such ventilators are sufficient for Hospital to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on current infection data;
3. Hospital has adequate personal protective equipment ("**PPE**") to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on current infection data; and
4. Hospital has adequate levels of hospital staff to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on current infection data.

Based solely on the foregoing, and subject to the qualifications and limitations set forth herein, Hospital believes that it can provide the services as set forth in the County's COVID-19 Suppression Plan. Hospital believes that both the County and CDPHE should actively monitor the accuracy of, and any changes to, the assumptions and facts set forth in the Variance Request. Hospital shall update the County and CDPHE if the facts set forth in #1-4 above materially and adversely change.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patricia Givens', enclosed within a large, hand-drawn oval.

Patricia Givens
Chief Nursing Officer
Children's Hospital Colorado Incident Commander

To: Douglas County Commissioners

From: Kirk McCarty^{CEO}

Hospital: Skyridge Hospital

Date: May 8, 2020

RE: Douglas County Suppression Plan

We can confirm that we have sufficient levels of personal protective equipment, beds, ventilators, and staff to serve all those who need our care. In addition, we the undersigned, support the Douglas County Suppression Plan.

DocuSigned by:

Kirk McCarty

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Pursuant to the Executive Order, UHealth Highlands Ranch Hospital ("**Hospital**") has been asked by Douglas County ("**County**") to review the County's COVID-19 Suppression Plan with respect to the County's request for a Variance (the "**Variance Request**"), dated 5/7/2020, under the Executive Order.

In reviewing the County's COVID-19 Suppression Plan, and except as expressly set forth below, Hospital assumes the completeness and accuracy of all facts and assumptions set forth in the Variance Request; however, Hospital does not provide an opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of such facts or assumptions. Hospital is also expressly relying on completeness and accuracy of data for current and estimated rates of infection and hospitalizations in and around the County's primary service area provided to Hospital by the County and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment ("**CDPHE**") Finally, Hospital does not opine on the secondary effect of people traveling to or from the County's primary service area to other locations in the State or nationally.

Based on the foregoing assumptions:

1. Hospital currently has 8 ICU beds available and such ICU beds are sufficient for Hospital to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on the current infection data;
2. Hospital currently has 7 ventilators available and such ventilators are sufficient for Hospital to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on current infection data;
3. Hospital has adequate personal protective equipment ("**PPE**") to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on current infection data; and
4. Hospital has adequate levels of hospital staff to provide its usual and customary care for COVID-19 patients based on current infection data.

Based solely on the foregoing, and subject to the qualifications and limitations set forth herein, Hospital believes that it can provide the services as set forth in the County's COVID-19 Suppression Plan. Hospital believes that both the County and CDPHE should actively monitor the accuracy of, and any changes to, the assumptions and facts set forth in the Variance Request. Hospital shall update the County and CDPHE if the facts set forth in #1-4 above materially and adversely change.



June 19, 2020

Commissioner Roger Partridge
Douglas County Board of County Commissioners
100 Third Street
Castle Rock, CO 80104

Dear Commissioner Partridge:

Tri-County Health Department has reviewed and supports your variance application for pools, theaters, and team sports. Douglas County's viral transmission as measured by new cases and hospitalizations has been declining even as testing has been increasing, and we believe that these variances provide provisions needed to protect the public's health.

We will continue to monitor and provide regular updates to the Board, and will immediately notify you if we have cause for concern. Thank you for your partnership throughout this response.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer L. Ludwig".

Jennifer L. Ludwig
Deputy Director

Attachment D

Douglas County requests a variance from the following restrictions in the Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28.

**Application for Variance
Douglas County Variance for Theaters**

**Name of County
Douglas County**

June 19, 2020

1. List the sections of Executive Order D 2020 091 and/or Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28 that a variance is being sought for.

Douglas County requests a variance to Section I.H.4.b of the Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28 (the “Order”) restricting the number of patrons at indoor movie theaters, performance theaters, opera houses, concert halls, and music halls (together, “Theaters”) to 100 people within their usable space per room.

Attachment D

2. Summarize alternate restrictions being proposed to replace the above-referenced restrictions and indicate where in the Plan these alternate restrictions are addressed

Response

To exceed the limits established in Public Health Order 20-28, Theaters must be operated in accordance with the following guidelines. Theaters will be limited to 175 people within their usable space calculated using the CDPHE Social Distancing Space Calculator (available here: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/social-distancing-calculator-for-indoor-and-outdoor-events>), excluding staff, per room with a minimum 6 feet of distance between individuals or non-household contacts. In addition to the requirements below, Theaters must follow Safer at Home Best Practices for All Businesses available [here](#). Any matter not addressed herein remains subject to Public Health Order 20-28, as amended.

- Seats, armrests, handrails, doors, doorknobs, and door handles in each Theater must be thoroughly sanitized before and after each showing.
- Perform environmental cleaning and disinfection of bathrooms and high touch surfaces every hour and maintain a public cleaning log.
- Post signage for customers and employees on good hygiene, mask wearing, and safety measures in place.
- Post signs at all entrances informing customers that they may not enter if exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19.
- Provide flexible ticket policies that encourage guests to stay home when sick.
- Provide hand sanitizer at all entrances, including individual Theater entrances, and encourage their use.
- Consider creating special hours for more vulnerable customers and discourage vulnerable people from attending the Theater outside of those hours.
- Implement touch-free options wherever possible
 - Prop doors where safe to do so
 - Contactless payment options
- Implement remote ticketing options whenever possible to lessen the number of touch points and help manage capacity limits.
- A robust communication plan must be in place to address steps to be taken by employees and customers to ensure that participants are aware of safety protocols.
- Spacing between showings should allow sufficient time for thorough cleaning.
- Consider staggering show times to decrease the number of patrons coming and going at one time.

Attachment E

Douglas County requests a variance from the following restrictions in the Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28.

**Application for Variance
Douglas County Variance for Team Sports**

**Name of County
Douglas County**

June 19, 2020

- 1. List the sections of Executive Order D 2020 091 and/or Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28 that a variance is being sought for.**

Response

Douglas County requests a variance to Section I.H.2.c of the Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28 (the “Order”) limiting the of the number of participants in recreational sports league activities and at adult and youth sports tournaments.

Attachment E

2. Summarize alternate restrictions being proposed to replace the above-referenced restrictions and indicate where in the Plan these alternate restrictions are addressed.

Recreational League Sports and Tournaments including, but not limited to, baseball, softball, soccer, swimming, and diving (together, “Team Sports”) may resume activities with the number of participants – including but not limited to players, coaches, spectators, officials, referees and umpires – limited to ensure a minimum 28 square feet per person, not to exceed more than 175 people indoors or 250 people outdoors, at any given time. The limit on participants applies to any individual room or similar confined indoor space and, when outside, to any individual field, court, pool area, or similar space. Any matter not addressed herein remains subject to Public Health Order 20-28, as amended, including Section II.I. Team Sports activities must abide by the following guidelines:

- Drills, exercises, or other activities that involve or could cause contact between participants should be minimized during practices.
- A coach or staff member should ask participants, as they arrive, if they feel ill or are experiencing COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms. Send home those participants reporting feeling ill or experiencing symptoms.
- Parents must remain in their cars, drop-off participants, or follow all social distancing requirements if observing practice.
- Participants should use their own equipment, such as gloves, helmets, and bats, whenever possible.
- Sharing of equipment is discouraged, and shared equipment must be cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Encourage participants to bring their own snacks and beverages to consume during and after a practice, game, or meet.
- Coaches or staff must record the name of all participants and the time of their arrival at practices, games, and meets to aid in contact tracing if necessary.

Attachment F

Douglas County requests a variance from the following restrictions in the Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28.

**Application for Variance
Douglas County Variance for Pools**

**Name of County
Douglas County**

June 19, 2020

- 1. List the sections of Executive Order D 2020 091 and/or Seventh Amended Public Health Order 20-28 that a variance is being sought for.**

Response

Douglas County requests a variance to Sections I.H.2.b and I.H.2.d the Sixth Amended Public Health Order 20-28 (the “Order”) limiting the capacity of indoor and outdoor pools.

Attachment F

2. Summarize alternate restrictions being proposed to replace the above-referenced restrictions and indicate where in the Plan these alternate restrictions are addressed.

To exceed the limits established in Public Health Order 20-28, pools must be operated in accordance with the following guidelines. Indoor pools may open with the number of participants limited to ensure a minimum 28 square feet per person, not to exceed more than 175 people at any given time. Outdoor pools may open with the number of participants limited to ensure a minimum 28 square feet per person, not to exceed more than 250 people at any given time. The limit on participants applies to any individual room or similar confined indoor space and, when outside, to any pool area or similar space. Any matter not addressed herein remains subject to Public Health Order 20-28, as amended, including Section II.I.

- A staff member should ask participants, as they arrive, if they feel ill or are experiencing COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms. Send home those participants reporting feeling ill or experiencing symptoms.
- Encourage participants to bring their own snacks and beverages.
- Staff must record the name of all participants and the time they arrived to aid in contact tracing if necessary.