# Proceeding With Caution

## Updated Statewide COVID-19 Health Order for Alabama

STAY AT HOME Expired on April 30th at 5 p.m.

### Stay at Home Order:
- **Individually**: Ordered to stay home except to meet basic needs
- **Employers**: Businesses closed except for those that meet a critical need or pose a minimal risk; sanitation and social-distancing rules and guidelines for remaining businesses
- **Retail Stores**: Essential retail stores open subject to 50% occupancy rate, social-distancing and sanitation rules
- **Beaches**: Closed for all purposes
- **Medical Procedures**: postponed except for those deemed "necessary" under various criteria as determined
- **Non-Work Gatherings**: Limited to fewer than 10 persons with 6 feet of distance between persons. “Drive-in” gatherings permitted if participants stay in cars with people from their own households.
- **Senior Citizen Centers**: Regular programming suspended except meals available through curbside pick-up or delivery
- **Educational Institutions**: Closed for all purposes
- **Hospitals and Nursing Homes**: Must not allow 12 or more children in a room
- **Child Day Care Facilities**: Must implement policies to restrict visitation
- **Restaurants, Bars and Breweries**: Limited to take-out, curbside or delivery

### AMENDED Safer at Home

**The Safer at Home order that ends Friday at 5 p.m. has been extended until July 31st with no major changes.**

### What's Staying the Same:
- **Entertainment Venues (such as arcades, theaters, bowling alleys)**
- **Educational Institutions**
- **Child Day Care Facilities**
- **Beaches**
- **Hospital and Nursing Homes**
- **Medical Procedures**
- **Senior Citizen Centers**
- **Non-Work Gatherings**
- **Restaurants, Bars and Breweries**
- **Athletic Facilities**
- **Close-Contact Service Providers**

### New Changes:
- **Hospital and Nursing Homes**: Still must implement policies to restrict visitation
- **Non-Work Gatherings**: Still required to maintain 6 feet of distance between persons not from same household
- **Restaurants, Bars and Breweries**: May open with limited table seating, 6 feet between tables and subject to additional sanitation rules and guidelines
- **Athletic Facilities**: May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines
- **Close-Contact Service Providers**: May open subject to social-distancing and sanitation rules and guidelines

**Goal**

Visit [governor.alabama.gov](http://governor.alabama.gov) for a full list of changes, guidelines and updates.