Reopen Phase 3

FALL SEMESTER
Commencing on or after
14 August 2020
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PROGRAMS
The UConn programs/departments to be opened during CT’s Reopen Phase 3 will include:
- Undergraduate residential programs (Storrs and Stamford) and non-residential and commuter students at all campuses.
- Graduate programs.
- Athletics.
- Research.
- Normal business operations across departments and all campuses.

TIMEFRAME
Intended date of arrival of students: Beginning 14 August 2020.
Intended date of classes starting: 31 August 2020.
Last day of in-person classes: 20 November 2020 (Students will not return following Thanksgiving break; the remainder of the semester, 29 November to 20 December, will be entirely online to allow for the completion of the required curriculum and final exams).
Intended duration of the semester: 20 December 2020.

GATING CONDITIONS
1. Disease Prevalence
The prevalence of the disease must be low enough to safely resume campus operations. For non-residential campuses, as well as science labs, libraries, and many graduate programs, the gating criterion for business and commercial operations should apply. For residential undergraduate programs, public health experts recommend a sustained low and non-increasing rate of new hospitalizations in the state and in the community surrounding each college; this standard should be clearly articulated by the State.
UConn meets this gating condition - ✔

UConn is monitoring current conditions, locally, regionally, and nationally and will continue to follow the lead of the State Department of Public Health to ensure that this condition is met.

UConn receives daily Coronavirus updates from the State of Connecticut through the State Emergency Operations Center and the Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) Regional Coordinator as well as regular updates from the Eastern Highlands Health District (EHHD) and other health districts. These updates include details on the prevalence of COVID-19 within the state and each county. Current data and trends are that Connecticut has sustained a low and non-increasing rate of new hospitalizations in the state and in the community surrounding each of the UConn Campuses. While we follow the State’s lead and guidance, disease statistics indicate that we are meeting this gating condition.

2. Testing

The State must ensure that colleges and universities have adequate supplies of viral diagnostic tests and adequate financial support to obtain, administer, and process them. Non-residential institutions must test symptomatic students, faculty, and staff; residential institutions must also test students upon arrival1, and at appropriate intervals thereafter in accordance with prevailing public health guidance. The allocation of tests to colleges and universities by the State is an essential pre-requisite for reopening

UConn meets this gating condition - ✔

UConn is tirelessly working on a comprehensive testing strategy for the entire UConn enterprise. Based on state guidance, the University will test all residential students at the Storrs and Stamford Campuses on arrival. All commuter students will be required testing and can submit proof of a negative test result obtained within 14 days of the start of the fall semester or for those students who do not obtain a test on their own, the University will provide testing. Faculty and staff who are required and approved to work on campus in their primary job functions will have testing made available. Faculty, staff, and students who are not coming to campus do not need to be tested. This includes students who are online only and not living in a residence hall, faculty who are teaching only online courses, and staff who are telecommuting, which is a substantial segment of our population. To accomplish this complex testing strategy, UConn has solicited vendors, is working with UConn Health, and coordinating with the State Comptroller’s Office for approved vendors. These actions have postured UConn to meet and achieve this gating condition. However, high demands on testing labs and delays in receiving testing results may put UConn in jeopardy of meeting this gating condition.

3. Contact Tracing

The State should enable institutions to have adequate capacity for contact tracing.

UConn meets this gating condition - ✔

UConn is working closely with local departments of health supporting our campuses to leverage the State’s ContaCT platform, an automated contact tracing strategy. Student Health and Wellness (SHaW) will provide additional resources on contact tracing for the Storrs campus students working in conjunction with the Eastern Highland Health District. The State has solicited volunteers to support the contact tracing effort statewide and hundreds of people have come forward to support this effort. These actions have

1 Per Interim Guidance for Testing Higher Education Residential Students and Residence Hall Directors issued on June 23, 2020, incoming residential students must have documentation that they have had a test within 14 days of arriving on campus or be tested within 7 days of arrival.
boosted the program across the state and made it more robust. These efforts have postured UConn to have adequate capacity for contact tracing and to meet this gating condition.

4. Health Guidelines

The State should provide specific public health guidelines for colleges and universities, covering the wearing of face masks, physical distancing, and the density of dormitories, dining halls, and classrooms.

UConn meets this gating condition - ✓

UConn has adopted all State Public Health Guidelines for colleges and universities. Additionally, we have thoroughly reviewed the various Sector Guidelines that the state has published ensuring that applicable guidance and requirements are followed. This includes:

- Face masks must be worn by students and employees. UConn has taken delivery of approximately 70k cloth face masks which will be provided to students, faculty, and staff.
- UConn’s Office of University Planning, Design, and Construction (UPDC) has analyzed classroom spaces and, based on the 6-ft separating guidance, has determined, on average, classrooms will be at approximately 30 percent capacity. In addition to signage, markings will be placed in high traffic areas to assist in the flow of foot traffic in and out of buildings.
- UConn worked to procure and operationalize hand sanitizer, wipes, and disinfectant sprays. These will be used in all buildings and will assist in disinfecting hard surfaces and high touch points, especially our classrooms.
- Residence halls will be open with reduced density at approximately 70% of normal capacity.
- Faculty and Staff should continue to work from home whenever possible.
- Dining Halls will initially be take-out only.

UConn has put in place procedures and policies to address state guidance to achieve this gating condition.

5. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

The State should ensure that adequate supplies of PPE and face masks will be available to colleges and universities.

UConn meets this gating condition - ✓

UConn has been proactive in the procurement and purchasing of PPE and specifically Face Masks to ensure that adequate supplies are on-hand for the Reopening of the University. We have 70K cloth face masks to distribute as well as approximately 68K disposable masks. Our expectation of students, faculty, and staff is to wear masks and to follow the State and University guidance. We have adequate supplies of PPE for our first responders and other critical employees. UConn has leveraged state resources and received PPE via the ESF-7 warehouse. UConn is in position to meet this gating condition.

6. Hospital Surge Capacity

Adequate surge capacity must be available in nearby health care facilities and hospitals.

UConn meets this gating condition - ✓
UConn is monitoring current COVID-19 conditions, locally, regionally, and nationally. Based on Connecticut’s current position in the fight against COVID-19, adequate surge capacity should be available in nearby healthcare facilities and hospitals. Achieving this condition is dependent upon current conditions in the State. If there is a surge of positive cases and resulting hospitalizations, this may change. Current conditions support UConn achieving this gating condition.

7. Liability

The State should provide a safe harbor from liability for those institutions that undertake the planning efforts we outline in this report.

UConn meets this gating condition - ✓

UConn General Counsel has determined that we meet this gating condition as a state and public institution. The Report of the Higher Education Subcommittee to the Reopen Connecticut Advisory Group established by Governor Lamont recommended that institutions of higher education in Connecticut be permitted to reopen if certain gating conditions are met, and that institutions meeting those conditions be provided a “safe harbor” from liability. Specifically, the recommendation was that institutions be given immunity for claims for money damages based on an allegation that someone contracted COVID-19 during the 2020-2021 academic year. In addition, the American Council on Education recently sent a letter to members of Congress urging it to “quickly enact temporary and targeted liability protections [for institutions of higher education] related to the COVID-19 pandemic.” To date, no such safe harbors or targeted liability protections for institutions of higher education have been enacted.

Governor Lamont issued an Executive Oder No. 7U on 5 April 2020 which provides additional protections from civil liability for health care professionals and facilities for acts or omissions taken in good faith in support of the state’s COVID-19 response.

As a state institution of higher education, however, UConn is entitled to sovereign immunity. When sovereign immunity has not been waived either by the General Assembly or expressly by statute, the principle of sovereign immunity acts as a bar to any claim for money damages against the state or its employees.

The General Assembly has authorized the state’s Office of the Claims Commissioner to “authorize suit against the state on any claim which, in the opinion of the Claims Commissioner, presents an issue of law or fact under which the state, were it a private person, could be liable.” The Claims Commissioner may dismiss a claim, award damages up to $20,000, recommend to the General Assembly payment of damages in excess of $20,000, or authorize a claimant to sue the state in superior court. In the absence of a showing of negligence, the state/UConn will not be liable for damages.

State employees, including all of UConn’s employees, are entitled by law to be defended and indemnified by the state for acts and omissions occurring in the course of their employment or while carrying out their official duties, even if their conduct is negligent.

The only circumstance in which a UConn employee acting within the scope of their employment would not be fully protected from civil liability is if they acted in a “wanton, reckless, or malicious manner.”
**PART 1. PLAN FOR REPOPULATING CAMPUS**

Phase 3 of Reopen UConn covers all UConn campuses statewide (except UConn Health), including residential and commuter students, and assumes a combination of in person, remote learning, and hybrid classes. Important to the ability to repopulate campuses is UConn’s ability to comply with social and physical distancing requirements in all spaces, the use of PPE (face coverings), and other barriers to prevent the spread of COVID-19, especially in areas where maintaining 6-ft of physical distancing is difficult, and following strict cleaning and disinfecting protocols across all campuses.

UConn’s goal is to provide the best educational and campus experience for all students wanting to come to UConn. However, many international students may not be able to make it to campus in the fall. Efforts will be made in collaboration with Global Affairs to create the UConn experience through online courses and partnerships with Universities outside of the US for these students. Finally, to accommodate students still not comfortable returning to campus or not wanting to take classes remotely UConn has developed a fall deferment process to allow students the ability to take a “gap year” or do a rapid transfer.

**A. CAMPUS POPULATION**

The total number of students, faculty, and staff to be on campus during Phase 3 is approximately:

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**B. ACADEMIC INSTRUCTION**

Flexible modes of course delivery planned for Fall 2020 will enable UConn to continue delivering the same outstanding education to all students while keeping safety at the forefront. These modes of instruction include:

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² Fall 2019 enrollment census. Source: Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness.
³ Graduate and Professional students at UConn Health fall under UConn Health’s COVID-19 protocols and are not included in this plan.
Online. Classes never meet in person, nor are students expected to be available at any particular time for virtual classroom instruction. Students will have access to class materials online using HuskyCT.

Distance Learning. These classes never meet in person, but students are expected to be available at the times for which the virtual class is scheduled. Students will participate online using WebEx, Blackboard Collaborate, or Microsoft Teams.

Hybrid/Blended. Classes have both in-person and online components. Classes will not meet in person for all scheduled meetings, but some in-person instruction will occur.

Split. Classes will meet in person during all scheduled class times. However, students will alternate in person attendance as designated by the instructor to reduce density in the classroom.

In-Person. Classes will meet in person during all scheduled class times.

Study Abroad – all study abroad programs for the fall semester have been cancelled and communicated to students, Education Abroad partners, and the UConn community.

C. PHYSICAL SPACE

Classrooms

The required physical distancing has been achieved through a mixed approach to instruction described in the previous section, with many courses shifting to some form of distance learning, all or part of the time, and some courses platooning smaller cohorts of students for face-to-face meetings. Working with UPDC’s space analysis, a classroom optimization team has taken the class enrollment information and assigned classes with a face-to-face component to spaces that can accommodate the 3-ft radius “bubble” for each student. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) defines physical distancing as at least 6-ft or approximately two arms’ length. UConn will also be making use of some larger spaces on campuses that are typically not used for classroom instruction.

For clinical training, UConn established a set of guidelines to be followed by program directors that includes directions concerning maximum site density, PPE (in some cases face shields and/or N-95 masks replacing cloth masks), and disinfecting procedures.

UPDC completed detailed diagrams of classroom capacity based on physical spacing requirements for Storrs and the Regional campuses. All have new seating configurations or “Do Not Sit Here” signs on chairs consistent with social distancing guidelines. Facilities Operations will configure the rooms and coordinate signage placement.

Proposed COVID-19 capacity assumptions:

- Each person is allocated a 3-ft radius “bubble” equating to 28.27 sf. Given the realities of egress around seating and space for instructor, 28.27 sf/person increases dramatically to ~60+ sf/person.
- Matching social distancing models to actual room layout (especially in rooms with fixed seating) results in further reduction in seating capacities, in some cases up to 80% to 85%.

4 https://abroad.uconn.edu/2020/06/09/fall-2020-education-abroad-programs/
- COVID-19 capacity was calculated based on similar room configurations and furniture type.
- Each classroom will have a sign with the classroom diagram to show the 6-ft physical distancing layout.

**General Purpose Classroom**

![General Purpose Classroom Diagram]

- **Dining Halls**

  Dining Services will continue to offer a variety of menu options and all day dining for students with meal plans. However, such offerings will be limited to meet current COVID-19 social distancing guidelines and mandates ("Dining Health Requirements"). Service will initially be takeout versus dining-in to help meet these requirements. All changes to Dining Services will remain in effect until Dining Health Requirements are revised. Once Dining Health Requirements allow, Dining Services will return to dine-in service. Residents may encounter longer wait times than normal when entering dining facilities. Dining Services will work to keep residents informed of busier times so that residents can plan accordingly.

  Dining Services will follow State of Connecticut guidance established for restaurants.

• Athletics
  
  o Beginning 20 June 2020, UConn initiated a Phase 2 pilot program to allow university officials to implement and test precautionary measures developed by UConn’s Health and Safety Task Force to safely Reopen UConn campuses. The Phase 2 Athletic pilot program was done in several parts to gradually bring athletes back to campus and revise plans as necessary.

  ▪ UConn Sports Medicine, in consultation with other UConn departments, developed a COVID-19 Action Plan that provided evidenced-based recommendations to prevent and/or mitigate community spread of infections (including COVID-19) in students, coaches, and staff populations.

  ▪ Student-athletes, coaches, and other Athletic personnel were trained on current recommendations for infection control through a variety of methods with special emphasis on physical distancing, hygiene, symptoms, and health monitoring.

  o UConn Athletics will follow state and NCAA regulations/restrictions on athletic programs. Additionally Avery Point Athletics is guided by the NJCAA.


    ▪ https://www.njcaa.org/general/2019-20/releases/20200618nx2y02

  o Due to the continuing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the BIG EAST Conference and its member institutions have announced that 2020 fall sports schedules will not include any non-conference competition. All decisions regarding fall conference competition will continue to be guided first and foremost by the health and safety of BIG EAST campuses and their athletics program participants and will be made in accordance with NCAA actions and policies.
• **Other Common Spaces**
  
  o **UConn Library** plans to offer limited onsite services, beginning 31 August 2020. While there is currently extensive access to materials and research support available digitally, the Library will enhance these offerings by adding curbside pickup of physical materials at Homer Babbidge Library in Storrs, and at each of the Regional Library locations. The hours available for pickup and the specific mechanisms for “curbside” offerings are still to be determined. UConn will follow state guidance established for libraries.
  
  o The **Student Recreation Center** in Storrs and the Avery Point Athletic Facility will be open, though measures will be taken to encourage physical distancing and reduce population density. UConn will follow state guidance established for fitness centers.
  
  o UConn will follow state guidance established for **museums** on the UConn campuses.

• **Programs and Activities**

  The **University Sponsored Programs and Activities Guidelines Fall 2020** follows all applicable State of Connecticut guidance and University related procedures, processes, and information. It includes:
  
  o UConn will follow state guidance established for outdoor events. Popular open spaces and outdoor congregation areas have been assessed for physical distancing capacity.
    - Phase 3\(^5\) of Connecticut’s Reopen Plan (when issued).
  
  o Critical large-scale university programs for the Fall of 2020 were evaluated and a determination was made on proceeding, altering, or postponing the events.

  o Consideration for having events is based on space availability and confidence in the health and safety of the campus following classes resuming in 31 August 2020.

  o A revised Student Union reservation process has been developed to establish equity among requesting groups.

  o Policies for potentially hosting events with external visitors (conferences, large meetings, etc.) is currently under development. Current conditions are not favorable to do so at this time.

\(^5\) The State of Connecticut has not released Phase 3 guidelines as of the issuance of UConn’s Reopen plans (17 July 2020).
**Campus Transportation**

Protocols for operating campus HuskyGo transit to reduce interaction between the drivers and riders, and between riders is provided below. This guidance is from the CT Department of Transportation on how they are operating public buses during the pandemic.

- Where possible only allow rear door boarding except in the case where a rider needs access to a ramp.
- Riders must wear a mask unless they have medical reason not to.
- Seats are marked for social distancing.
- Driver barriers are installed.
- On smaller vehicles, consider installing sneeze guards between rows of seats.
- Where possible, increase service in order to reduce the potential for crowding.
- Drivers should monitor passenger loads and pass by stops if they can't take more passengers.
- High touch surfaces should be cleaned twice a day and a more intense cleaning once a day.

**Residence Halls - Storrs and Stamford campuses only**

In response to COVID-19, the **Fall 2020 Semester UConn Housing Plan** establishes the process for assigning students to residence halls in a way that balances the reduced residential occupancy density goals, with academic priorities, and establishes rules for residents that support safety of residents while allowing for a modified residential experience for students. This plan identifies the key CT guidelines which helped to frame the processes outlined in this document and explains the processes, policies, and procedures for assigning students to housing for the fall.
Residence halls will be open, but with reduced density and a new housing assignment process. In residential housing where there is shared living space such as a living room or a kitchen those living in that apartment will be considered a "family pod."

- **Storrs**
  - Apartments – 100 % occupancy.
  - Suites – 2 students per bedroom.
  - Doubles with private bathroom – 2 students per room.
  - Traditional Halls – 1 student per bedroom.
  - Isolation/Quarantine Spaces - 200 beds in Mansfield Apartments are set aside for this purpose.
    - If a student living alone tests positive, SHaW and Residential Life will determine if they should isolate/quarantine in place or be moved to another location.

- **Stamford**
  Apartments in 900 Washington and Prospect will be fully occupied, the Lillian Residential Hall will be used as comfort housing for students not feeling well etc.

- **All Residential Campuses.**
  Students wanting to live on campus for the fall semester will have to agree to the *Temporary Health and Safety Procedures, Appendix D of the 2020-2021 On-Campus Housing Contract.* These procedures include, but are not limited to:
  - Students offered on-campus housing must sign up for a time to check into their assignment. Check in will be available between 14 August and 17 August 2020 so that residents can be quarantined on campus for up to 14 days after being tested for COVID-19 and before attending in-person classes. A combined quarantine and testing process is intended to allow the University to control for potential false negatives and prevent spread of the COVID-19 by students who have yet to become infectious. Students will not be allowed to receive their room key or move into the residential facilities until they have been tested for COVID-19.
  - Once residents begin occupying their on-campus housing, they should plan to remain on campus and limit any off campus travel for the duration of the fall semester.
  - Fall semester housing will end on Saturday, 21 November, 2020. Residents are expected to remove all of their belongings and move out of on-campus housing. Check in for a spring housing assignment will be in January. Residential Life suggests that residents bring only the items they know they will need during the fall semester when moving into their assigned residence in August. This is to facilitate a rapid move-out if needed during the semester due to changing situation.
  - Residents who cannot leave the University may submit a request to Student Affairs to remain on campus.
  - Guests
    - No overnight guests are allowed in the residence halls.
    - No resident may have more than 1 guest at any given time.
- At Storrs, only other current UConn Storrs residential students are permitted as guests in residential facilities.
- At Stamford, only current Stamford residential students are permitted as guests in Stamford residential facilities.
  - Guests are limited to other UConn students who, to the best of their knowledge, are not exhibiting COVID-19 related symptoms.
  - Guests may not use any community bathrooms located on floors where residents live.

- Social Gatherings
  - No more than five people may gather in a shared residential space at any time.
  - The maximum amount of people allowed to gather in each lounge area will be prominently posted. Residents are prohibited from gathering in numbers that exceed the maximum occupancy posted.
  - Outdoor recreation areas adjacent to residential facilities may not exceed the Governor’s stated guidelines.
  - Game rooms located within a residential area will not be open for use.

- Face Coverings and Physical Distancing
  - Residents must comply with all University guidelines and State of Connecticut public health mandates regarding the use of face masks and social distancing in residential public spaces. Residents must also comply with all University guidelines related to public health in public spaces. As used herein, residential public spaces means all spaces outside of a resident’s individual room/apartment/suite, including but not limited to stairwells, hallways, and laundry rooms.

- Stairwells - The University may restrict residential stairwells and hallways to one-way use. Except in times of emergency, residents are required to abide by these restrictions and limit their movement to the one-way direction so identified.

- Residents assigned to apartments, suites, and rooms with semi-private bathrooms should expect and must allow facilities staff to periodically enter these living spaces to disinfect bathroom touch points. A schedule will be developed and shared with residents, as necessary.

- UConn will follow State recommendations for Dormitory Bathrooms as issued in the State of Connecticut Update # 3 to the Higher Education Report, as amended, including advising bathroom users to:
  - Minimize time in all shared bathrooms.
  - No cell phone use in shared bathrooms.
  - Personal items should not be stored in shared bathrooms.
• **Department and Administrative Offices**
  
  o To protect the health and safety of the campus community and visitors, departments will be required to perform a detailed risk assessment and set site-specific prevention protocols. The completion of the **Return to Campus Form** and risk assessment template will serve as the department’s Protection Plan.

  Instructions for completing the assessment:
  
  ▪ Complete the workplace risk questions applicable to your department’s physical workspace and activities performed.

  ▪ If the risk is present in your department, identify items which are present in your department. Be specific when identifying activities, locations, and items. For example: if you have a conference room, write down the building and room number.

  ▪ Review prevention protocols presented in the last section. These are in keeping with the State of Connecticut Sector Rules.

  ▪ For each risk which is present in your department, include the department-specific protection plan (i.e. which prevention protocols you will be implementing, and for which identified items). Be specific. Write “the who”, “the what”, and “the when.” For example: What will the occupancies be for each conference room, how will an activity take place, who will be cleaning shared items, etc.

  o UPDC’s **COVID-19 Guidebooks for Departmental Offices** provides layouts for conference rooms, huddle rooms, open environment workspaces, workstations, and other office lounge areas to provide workers with strategies to work 6-ft apart. Examples include:

    **Office Space Layouts**

![Office Space Layouts](image)

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6 The Return to Campus form will be on the EH&S webpage. [https://ehs.uconn.edu/ehs-covid-resources/](https://ehs.uconn.edu/ehs-covid-resources/)
• **Other Ways to Prevent Transmission - Plexiglass Barriers/Screens**
  
  o Plexiglass barriers may be installed in high traffic retail locations, residential dining areas, and other high traffic areas that cannot accommodate alternative strategies for doing face to face business. Examples of these types of areas include mail rooms, dining serving areas, key distribution operations, and cash operations.

  o Before considering plexiglass barriers, departments should first exhaust all opportunities to utilize 6-ft physical distancing strategies, such as visual cues and markers, moving desk space and workspace, and alternative business practices to avoid person to person contact.


  - If the requesting department’s operation does not allow for 6-ft physical distancing, and meets all other guidelines Facilities will perform a site-visit with the requestor to design a solution, then schedule the construction of the barrier with the requestor. If necessary, EH&S may be consulted to review the request and make recommendations.

• **Signage**

  o Signage is a simple tool to inform individuals of precautionary actions for preventing and stopping the spread of the coronavirus on campus. Signs will be posted across all UConn campuses. Signage will be posted on the University Communications’7 website to download and print as needed.

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7 [https://brand.uconn.edu/wordmarks-assets/downloads-2/](https://brand.uconn.edu/wordmarks-assets/downloads-2/)
o Directional signage arrows have been modified to a single signage type that will be posted throughout academic areas that includes strategies such as “walk on right, wear, mask, etc.

o At classroom doors designating classroom capacity and layout to support 6-ft physical distancing.

o Creating pedestrian movement patterns through both open and closed spaces.

o Posting visual cues to assist physical distancing.

o All signage will be standardized, reviewed, and approved by University Communications.
COVID-19 NOTICE

ARE YOU EXPERIENCING?
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Fever (at or above 100.4°F)
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste/smell

IN THE LAST 14 DAYS HAVE YOU?
- Had close contact with anyone diagnosed with or under investigation for COVID-19?
- Been told you should quarantine or isolate because of travel or other exposures?

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY QUESTION DO NOT ENTER

IF YOU ANSWERED NO TO ALL QUESTIONS
you may enter, provided that you have your manager’s permission to enter and comply with the following:

- Masks or cloth face coverings are required at all times.
- Maintain safe distancing, at least 6 feet from others.
- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds often. Use hand sanitizer when hand washing is not possible.
- Clean and disinfect shared objects after each use. Clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces in your area daily.
D. ORIENTATION/ARRIVAL (MOVE-IN)

- **Student Orientation**
  
  Due to ongoing concerns about COVID-19, UConn put the Student Orientation\(^8\) program online for summer 2020.

  Online Orientation is a module that helps first-time degree seeking students (First-Year, Transfer & International) make a smooth transition to the University of Connecticut. The online Orientation module is comprehensive in nature and designed to cover all the academic and business processes that would have been completed in the on-campus Orientation program. The online Orientation program will take all new students through a module that covers important university information, support services, and presentations that are important to a new student’s transition to UConn. The module also contains academic and pre-advising information that will prepare students to meet with an academic advisor to register for classes. Online Orientation needs to be completed before new students can sign up for classes. Through online Orientation students will schedule an advising session where they will meet online, by phone or by email with an academic advisor in their school or college to register for fall classes. There are specific orientation programs for Storrs and each of the regional campuses.

- **Move-In Plan**

  o The move-in process for residential students is designed to observe social distancing and protect the health of the UConn community.

  o Move-in will be spread over 4 days starting 14 August 2020.

  o Students who live on campus (Storrs and Stamford) will be required to move into the residence halls approximately two weeks before the beginning of classes to allow for a period of testing (as required by the state) and quarantine.

  o Testing will be conducted as a component of the move-in process.

  **Map of Move-In Testing/Sign-in Sites – Storrs Campus**

\(^8\) [https://orientation.storrs.uconn.edu/](https://orientation.storrs.uconn.edu/)
E. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- **Masks/Face Coverings**

  UConn will require every member of our community to wear a face covering/mask in public areas and, common/shared spaces, including classrooms. If someone is unable to wear a mask, due to a medical condition for example, Student Affairs will work with students and Human Resources (HR) will work with faculty and staff to identify an alternative before they return to campus. UConn will provide 2 cloth masks to all students, faculty, and staff.

  UConn encourages individuals to supply their own masks but will have them available as needed. Efforts will be made to provide direction, signage, and supplies of face coverings. Special attention will be paid to provide guidance in busses, dining halls, lecture halls, conference rooms, elevators, and shared hallways of buildings where close contact may be otherwise unavoidable.

  Mask guidance includes:

  o **Face coverings/masks**
    
    - Students - students will be expected to wear face coverings at all times while in the presence of others and when social distancing cannot take place. The only exception to this would be for students living in as a "Family Pod."
    
    - Employees - face coverings must be worn in the workplace per CT rules. Currently, they are allowed to be removed once you arrive at your office/cubicle and to eat/drink.
    
    - Non-employees - CT rules require cloth face coverings when people cannot maintain a 6-ft or more distance from others. Visitors will be required to wear a cloth face covering/mask to enter a University building.
    
    - Face coverings/masks need to be regularly laundered.
    
    - Supplies:
      
      - On the Storrs campus, masks will be distributed to students by Residential Life. Academic staff and faculty will be able to get masks from their respective Schools. All other staff will be provided masks through their department.
      
      - Regional campuses will have their own distribution program under the auspices of the Campus Director.
      
      - Masks will be University-supplied to the extent feasible but students, faculty, and staff may also supply their own.
    
  o **N95 Masks**
    
    - N95 Masks need only be used by staff, students, or faculty who have a valid work related need for that level of protection, and who have been fit-tested.
    
    - Those currently required to wear this level (N-95 masks) will continue to use PPE.

  o **Education on what mask is appropriate (N95/cloth/surgical masks)**
    
    - Should be based on CDC and Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) guidelines.
• Other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requirements
  • PPE should be used and made available to staff with a valid work-related need
    - PPE protects the wearer from hazards. Cloth face coverings are worn to protect other people from an infected wearer and are not considered PPE. CDC and OSHA have guidelines for potentially exposed populations of employees who should wear PPE to protect against COVID-19 and/or cleaning/disinfecting chemical hazards: health care providers, first responders, housekeeping staff, etc.

• Gloves
  - Handwashing and hand sanitizer use should be encouraged over glove use.

F. DISINFECTION/CLEANING

Cleanliness and sanitation of all facilities is an important practice in the mitigation of COVID-19 transmission. UConn will follow State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health, and CDC guidelines to ensure proper sanitation of facilities on an ongoing basis. Instruction and support will be given to Facilities and custodial staff to ensure that all facilities are being sanitized appropriately to prevent the spread of infection. UConn’s plan for cleaning and disinfecting includes, but is not limited to the following areas:

• Hand Sanitizer
  Hand sanitizer dispensers will be available at entrances for all buildings, as well as entrances for classrooms, and dining halls stocked by Facilities. Hand sanitizer in gallon jugs with pumps may be used where appropriate. Supplies with be checked and dispensers refilled as necessary.

• Spray Bottle With Disinfectant
  Facilities will provide cleaning/disinfecting supplies for commonly used surfaces. Spray bottles containing a disinfectant and paper towels will be available in all classrooms, bathrooms, and shared spaces on all campuses. This is in lieu of disposable wipes and meets current State guidance.9

• Hand Washing
  Students, faculty, and staff will be reminded to their wash hands frequently through regular messaging that is clear and accessible. This messaging will be through numerous UConn platforms, including but not limited to:
  - EH&S Mandatory COVID-19 safety training10 that includes instruction on physical distancing, wearing of face coverings, hand hygiene, and sanitation.
  - A community commitment, student pledge, to follow health and safety protocols.
  - SHaW Website11 - COVID-19 FAQs – “What I can do to stay healthy and protect myself.”

10 https://ehs.uconn.edu/ehs-covid-resources/
11 https://shs.uconn.edu/coronavirus
Signs at all building entrances alert people to not enter the building if they are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 and provide safety information including promoting hand washing.

Messaging will follow CDC guidance:

- **Wash your hands** often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

### General Cleaning

- High touch points such as doorknobs, light switches, and handrails will be cleaned multiple times daily, in addition to thorough and regular cleaning of bathrooms, common areas, and open spaces.

- The sanitizing of high-risk areas will be completed frequently.

- Where appropriate, doors should be propped open to limit touch areas.

### Cleaning Plan in Residence Halls

- Spray bottles with a 10% bleach solution or acceptable alternative will be provided to suite and apartment bathrooms.

- Facilities can accommodate Monday-Friday disinfection and cleaning utilizing existing staff.

- Weekend Cleaning in Traditional Style Residential Areas: State guidance recommends, “Multi-stall communal bathrooms should be fully cleaned/disinfected by housekeeping staff a minimum of once daily, using products that meet EPA’s criteria for use against COVID-19.”

- Facilities will add weekend staffing to meet state guidance.

### Classroom Cleaning

- Classrooms will be supplied with disposable wipes or spray bottles and paper towels for students and faculty to disinfect between classes, as appropriate.

### G. TRAVEL

#### General Travel Guidance

UConn continues to follow Governor Lamont’s standing directive issued 9 March 2020 to executive branch agencies freezing employee travel on state business. However, with the announcement of the removal of restrictions on travel associated with federally funded research and the ramping up of research here at UConn, as of 20 May 2020, the University will consider travel exceptions for essential research conducted out of state.

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12 Update #7 to the Higher Education Report: Recommendations for Reopening Undergraduate Colleges and. Universities.

13 Cleaning of residential bathrooms follows State of Connecticut guidance: Update #3 to the Higher Education Report Recommendations for Dormitory Bathrooms
Exceptions to this policy may be requested in writing to the appropriate operational leadership office - the President (for units that report directly to the President's office), Provost, Executive Vice President for Administration/CFO, or the CEO of UConn Health. Each request should include an explanation of why this travel is essential at this time and how you will ensure your safety and the safety of others in the course of your travel. Each request will be evaluated and a response will be provided. In-state research travel is permitted at this time, but there is an expectation that attention to safety is undertaken for such travel.

UConn will continue to monitor State of Connecticut Travel Advisories, the CDC Travel Health Notices, and the US State Department for Global Health Travel Advisories. Travel restrictions will be modified as conditions warrant.

- **Employee Domestic Travel (Professional and Personal) – Storrs & Regionals**

  On 24 June 2020, Governor Lamont announced quarantine guidance for all travelers arriving in or returning to Connecticut from selected states across the country. As the situation remains dynamic, it’s important for employees traveling out of state domestically to review the state’s most up to date guidance before departing and returning from travel. Employees should consider the impact of this guidance when considering whether to travel.

  At the Storrs and regional campuses, the University has issued the following guidance for employees traveling to and returning from states identified in the Connecticut Travel Advisory:

  - Employees are required to fill out the domestic travel form and notify their manager if they are planning to or have traveled to one of the states on the domestic travel list. As the list changes frequently based on state guidance, employees should complete the form for all out-of-state travel.

  - Where possible, employees should be permitted to telecommute for the recommended period of quarantine.

  - Employees unable to telecommute will follow HR leave guidance.

  - To ensure accurate tracking, employees must upon return, provide appropriate documentation (e.g. boarding passes, car rental receipts, hotel invoices, etc.) to support the need to provide leave upon return from travel.

  - Employees, classified or unclassified, who were traveling from one of the states listed at the time of the Governor’s travel guidance was issued and any updates thereto should notify their manager upon their return to Connecticut. The failure to report travel from states identified in the Connecticut Travel Advisory could result in disciplinary action. Employees returning to campus from out of the state for the start of the fall semester should incorporate the potential for a quarantine period into their travel plans.

**H. STAFFING**

In response to the coronavirus, UConn’s HR has developed policies, procedures, and flexible work options to provide for the health and safety of all UConn faculty and staff.

Beginning on March 12, 2020, UConn HR has continually provided guidance to staff and faculty on what to do if they were diagnosed with or exposed to COVID-19, along with the general reminder for individuals

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14 [https://hr.uconn.edu/employee-domestic-travel-storrs-regionals/](https://hr.uconn.edu/employee-domestic-travel-storrs-regionals/)
not feeling well to stay home from work. This information along with isolation and quarantine guidance was issued through university email and the UConn coronavirus public education webpage.\textsuperscript{15}

UConn’s HR continues to update staff and faculty with information and advice as necessary\textsuperscript{16}. Employees who come to work and become ill while there are advised to immediately separate themselves from others, inform their supervisor of their illness, and go home. Individuals are advised to contact their primary care physicians.

- Special considerations may need to be made for staff and faculty with higher likelihood of serious illness from COVID-19. These individuals include:
  - Employees with underlying health conditions.\textsuperscript{17}
  - Employees whose household member has documented underlying health conditions.
  - Employees over age 65.

- **Flexible Work Options for Faculty and Staff**
  - Faculty
    Where possible, UConn will allow faculty or instructors to provide instruction online or with limited class sizes to reduce health concerns. It is up to the faculty member to work with their dean on these issues. Faculty members will not be denied reasonable accommodations. Students and faculty will have the option to have an exclusively online semester.
  - Staff
    Where possible, the University encourages employees to work with their manager about telecommuting or establishing a flexible/rotational schedule that ensures the employee’s safety to the greatest extent possible while in the workplace. Current policy is to encourage telecommuting for the time being. Individuals are responsible for following all applicable safety protocols, including social distancing, and wearing face coverings/masks.

Employees may also work with their manager and HR to participate in the Employee Exchange Program to pursue an appropriate temporary reassignment.

Employees who are unable to find a solution among the above options may request to use accrued time off (personal, compensatory, vacation). Employees who are caregivers may request FMLA caregiver leave. Upon exhausting their accrued time off, employees may request an unpaid personal leave, which is subject to management approval based on operational needs.

- **Work options**
  - Telecommuting: Employees plan to work from home with supervisor approval for positions where telecommuting is possible and appropriate. Return to campus will be at the direction of the individual’s manager or supervisor. Telecommuting is highly encouraged by the Governor.
  - Schedule Changes: Work and class schedules may be modified through shifts or days of operation. Staggered shifts or rotational shifts should be encouraged whenever and wherever possible, for students, faculty, and staff. Faculty could offer the option for students to either attend classroom sessions or view live instructions remotely, resulting

\textsuperscript{15} https://uconn.edu/public-notification/coronavirus/
\textsuperscript{16} https://uconn.edu/public-notification/coronavirus/covid-19-human-resources/
\textsuperscript{17} CDC Guidance – People Who Are at Higher Risk For Severe Illness
in fewer students on campus. Additionally, a phased approach to returning students to campus is recommended.

- Rotational Schedule: In certain instances, managers may use “rotational” schedules for areas that are not conducive to telecommuting.

I. CAMPUS ACCESS

UConn is a public institution and does not normally limit access to the grounds or public buildings. Access to nonpublic spaces, such as offices and classrooms, is restricted. In support of efforts to protect health and safety access to campus buildings, including Regional campuses, can be limited to students and employees or others who have a defined need to have access to the building. This is consistent with recommendations in the report from the Higher Education Subcommittee – Reopen Connecticut and CDC guidance to Institutions of Higher Education, which advises limiting nonessential visitors.

- Visitors

The Campus Visitors Reopening Plan addresses plans for Campus Tours, Husky-For-A-Day, and any other campus visitation programs for prospective students across Storrs and the Regional Campuses. Implementation Guidelines:

  o Outdoor only guided campus tours will resume only when suitable conditions for welcoming visitors to campus have been met. It is anticipated that this date will occur well after the start of the term (August 31) and will be established by Student Enrollment in consultation with the Executive Policy Group (EPG), following relevant state reopening schedules. Until a date is established only online visitation programs will be offered.

  o Fall Open House for prospective students will be a virtual Fall Open House program, comparable to the Spring 2020 UConn Bound Program.

  o High school and community-based organization group visits (bus trips) will not be hosted during the Fall 2020 semester.

  o When tours recommence, priority registration for campus tours should be offered to high school seniors. If tour space remains available after high school seniors have been accommodated, other guests will be permitted to attend.

  o When tours recommence, group size will be limited to a maximum of 15 individuals or less, with one guide per group.

  o Tours will leave from a predetermined location, most often outside of the welcome center. Actual location will be shared with attendees in confirmation communications.

    - Walk-in (unannounced) visitors will not be received, as pre-visit communications and visitor registration processes are unable to be followed.

  o Hand sanitizer and face masks will be available upon entry to the Visitors Center.

  o Presentations that are typically held inside, and in person, will (continue to) be offered online. Guests will be provided the link to watch the presentation in advance or after their tour.

  o Communications and notifications will be developed to confirm individual tour reservations and to remind visitors of public health guidelines.
Signage will be installed at the Visitors Center prior to visitor reopening and any other visitor receiving areas with relevant public health reminders. Sign install and design will be consistent with those used across the broader university campuses.

- The Visitors Center lavatory and high touch surface areas will be cleaned two times daily between 10 am - 3 pm and after hours.

- Visitors Center professional and student employee staff will receive training on CDC and OSHA guidelines prior to reopening for visitors.

- Prominent placement of visitor guidance on COVID-19 related campus protocols will be included on all communications and within the Visitors Center and other visitation areas.

- A log of all campus visitors that check in via the Visitors Center is maintained in an information system called Slate. This system could be queried at any point to determining the date and time of any visitor who attended a tour and later tests positive. This information will be available to aid with contact tracing. All campus visitors must be registered. A central log of visitors, regardless of host department, will be kept to facilitate contact tracing. Information Technologies Services (ITS) is working on a database for tracking.

**Contractors**

UPDC developed the *University COVID-19 Mitigation Guidelines for the Contractor Community* for contractors performing work on a project with UConn at the Storrs campus (including Depot campus) and the four Regional Campuses, extension centers, and the Law School. These guidelines establish consistent standards for mitigating the spread of COVID-19 that must be undertaken by contractors and are intended to assist UConn in meeting its commitments of providing a quality, secure and safe learning and working environment for its students, workforce, clients, and visitors. These standards are subject to change to incorporate updated Federal, State, and local requirements.

UConn requires a Contractor who has been awarded a contract and/or purchase order to establish, implement, and administer a COVID-19 Mitigation Program in accordance with the standards and requirements, as they reasonably apply for the project. The Contractor’s COVID-19 Mitigation Program shall be submitted for review for compliance to the appropriate oversight Project Director responsible for the work. Contractors must make sure all workers and subcontractors are aware of and adhere to guidelines established under their COVID-19 Mitigation Program.

Service maintenance contractors who are performing service work for UConn’s Facilities Operations at any campus or extension center, shall be required to have all workers assigned to the campus be required to follow the same COVID-19 safety precautions as permanent UConn Facilities Operations employees. This includes completing the UConn Environmental Health & Safety training, “Returning to Campus: COVID-19 General Training for UConn and UConn Health, with Specific Job Training.”

**PART 2 – PLAN FOR MONITORING THE HEALTH OF STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF**

UConn’s approach to testing our community is straightforward: if a student or employee is coming to any UConn campus because they have to be there, they should be tested. This includes faculty, staff and commuter students on every campus, both graduate and undergraduate. There is not a “once-size-fits all” approach to accomplishing this, so the university will utilize different avenues and strategies.

UConn will not be testing faculty, staff and students who are not coming to campus this fall. This includes students who are online only and not living in a residence hall, faculty who are teaching only online courses, and staff who are telecommuting, which is a substantial segment of our population.
All residential UConn students will be returning to our campuses approximately two weeks before the first day of classes to be tested and quarantined on campus. This is the segment of our population that is largely self-contained on campus, while others arrive and depart on a regular basis. We are arranging for testing of our residential students during check-in.

Testing will be addressed for commuter students registered for in-person instruction, both graduate and undergraduate, in several ways. First, these students are encouraged to submit proof of a negative test result obtained within 14 days of the start of the fall semester (31 August 2020). For those students who do not obtain a test on their own, the University will provide testing.

Commuter students arriving to Connecticut from states under the regional travel advisory\(^\text{18}\) are advised to obtain a negative test result within the time frame indicated by the governor and the commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Health, followed by a 14-day self-quarantine period which must be completed before coming to campus and attending in person classes.

Faculty and staff who will be on one of our campuses this fall will have PCR testing made available at reentry at no cost to them through our partnership with UConn Health. Availability will be as early as August 4 through August 21 on-site at Storrs, Stamford (one day only) and Avery Point (one day only) for eligible employees at these locations. Eligible employees at UConn’s Waterbury and Hartford campuses will be provided access to UConn Health’s Farmington drive-through location.

**A. STUDENT TESTING**

COVID-19 testing, when integrated with social distancing policies, plays an important role in controlling the spread of COVID-19. Therefore, it is important to create a testing strategy that supports the ability to have reliable and accurate testing that aids in monitoring and containing COVID-19 as a key component of success for a safe campus. A comprehensive testing strategy for COVID-19 is a gating condition for colleges and universities, as outlined in the Connecticut Report of the Higher Education Plan to Reopen. The UConn testing recommendations as found in the Fall 2020 Student Medical Services Plan (15 July 2020) for students, are as follows:

- **Reentry Testing**
  - Test residential students as they arrive on campus.
  - Residential students to self-quarantine for 14 days.
  - Residential students to submit electronic self-checks for 7 days.
  - Non-residential students, on all campuses, to provide proof of clearance to return to campus. Students will be provided the opportunity to obtain testing by a third party arranged by the university.
  - Self-quarantine for 14 days for students coming from states identified in the State of Connecticut Regional Travel Advisory.

- **Surveillance Testing Plan**
  - Perform surveillance testing of residential life students throughout the year.

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\(^{18}\) [State of CT Regional Travel Advisory](#)
• Partner with Systems Genomics to provide environmental testing of wastewater and surface testing.
• Partner with Systems Genomics to provide targeted pooled and environmental sampling.
• If wastewater and/or pooled sampling yield positive results, follow up with targeted diagnostic testing.
• Supplement with Point-of-Care COVID-19 individual diagnostic testing of 5%-10% of residential student population.

• Symptomatic Testing Plan:
  • Provide testing for symptomatic students for residential and non-residential students.
  • Assess and test symptomatic students, following revised testing guidelines and testing protocols established in the spring.
  • Implement COVID-19 Student Patient Flow Process Map for quarantined and students who test positive.

B. FACULTY AND STAFF REENTRY TESTING SUMMARY

Faculty and staff who are required and approved to work on campus to accomplish their primary job functions will have COVID 19 PCR testing made available at reentry at no cost to them through a partnership with UConn Health. Availability as early as 4 August through 21 August 2020 will be made on site at Storrs, Stamford (Tentative – August 7th) and Avery Point (Tentative – August 13th) for eligible employees at these locations. Eligible employees at UConn’s Waterbury and Hartford campuses will be provided access to UConn Health’s Farmington drive-through location. UConn encourages and expects those who have these tests made available to them, to take the test.

• Faculty and Staff Allowed and Approved to be on Campus

The University continues its plans to de-densify the Storrs and regional campuses. Individuals working from home now, should continue to do so unless approved by the University to return to campus. If asked to return, individuals will receive at least two weeks’ notice prior to return to campus where possible.

Therefore, most employees are expected to telecommute through 31 December 2020 unless the primary duties of the job require them to be on campus full-time or on a significantly limited basis with manager approval and University authorization. The only faculty and staff (including post-doctoral scholars) that will be allowed on the campus will be the following categories of employees before, during and after reentry:

• Direct Contact with/Support for Students - defined as close professional contact with students within 6-ft for more than 15 minutes as a primary job function. For example, a classroom instructor in-front of students; residential life staff, certain academic functional assignments, staff providing continued window service; or a food/retail service professional. Even with these roles, where telecommuting or rotational programs can be supported, they should be.

• Critical Infrastructure Support - defined as a role with or without direct student contact on a full time basis where all primary job functions cannot be done remotely, such as facility operations, police/fire, animal care and support. It does not include work that is “preferred” to be accomplished onsite or non-critical infrastructure work by an employee or manager or any such work that can continue to be done remotely in areas outside these critical infrastructure responsibilities.
Part-Time or Rotational Critical Support Functions often with No Direct Contact with/Support for Students – defined as roles that include some and limited critical administrative functions that cannot be done remotely, such as some financial, payroll, administrative, and HR functions for a small number of hours per day for 1-2 days per week. It does not include work that is “preferred” to be onsite or non-critical infrastructure work by an employee or manager or any such work that can continue to be done remotely. Employees and those in this category should be less than 15% of a manager’s staff.

Research Colleagues – research faculty and staff working in a lab approved for research reentry under the research ramp up process. Work that may be done remotely should continue to be done so. All sponsored program supported personnel must be working on the aims of the grant as pay for no work expired at the end of June. Any situations where an employee is unable to work in the lab and who cannot telecommute should be noted. In this event, additional information will be forthcoming.

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Note: The University recognizes that some individuals who fall within these categories are already on campuses; if so, if they have not already been provided a University provided COVID-19 test, one will be made available to them by the University. Undergraduate students and Graduate assistants will be tested using the student strategies that will be communicated by SHaW.

It will be important and required that all managers and employees adhere to these registry categories of employees approved to be on campus – adherence will be essential to limit transmission, ensure the capability of social distancing, for contract tracing efforts and for contact notification and other
important impacts. Any cases of failure to approve by a manager or onsite visits by an employee to campuses for work outside of these requirements will be swiftly addressed by Divisional leaders and the University.

- **Test Result Notification**

  UConn Health receives the testing results. Employees will have access to their test results as well. A data file will be sent back to HR with acknowledgment of positive or negative test results. HR will utilize those results to work together with employees who test positive and will not be able to return to campus as planned. HR will notify managers that are unable to return to work.

  If an employee is already on campus, the manager must inform employees who have been identified as having been in close contact with an employee who has tested positive for COVID-19 and that they have been identified as an individual for whom there was sufficient contact to warrant notification. To the extent possible, this notification should be done by phone, but if this is not possible an email message is sufficient.

  **Important:** At no time should the identity of the co-worker ever be disclosed to any other co-workers; this information should remain confidential and only known to the manager and HR, unless the ill employee voluntarily discloses their status to co-workers.

  - **Negative Test Result**
    - Employees with negative test results are clear to come to campus.

  - **Positive Test Result**
    - Employees with a positive test result must not return to campus. UConn will be using a symptom-based or a time based strategy if you are symptomatic or asymptomatic, respectively. You will be able to return to work following notification to HR that the following conditions are met:
      - **If symptomatic:**
        - At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since your recovery defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); **and**,
        - At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms first appeared
      - **If pre-symptomatic or asymptomatic, the following will be required:**
        - At least 7 days have passed since your positive test and you have had no symptoms of COVID-19 (you remain asymptomatic); **and**
        - For 3 days (72 hours) following discontinuation of isolation, you socially distance (stay six feet away from others) and wear a mask. (Remote work is recommended in this circumstance).
    - UConn HR reserves the right to request and require any and all medical documentation it deems necessary to verify you are able to return to work.
C. SYMPTOMATIC TESTING

SHaW will test symptomatic students on the Storrs campus. All other symptomatic students, faculty, and staff should talk to their health care provider about being tested for COVID-19. These symptoms are:

- Fever or chills.
- Cough.
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing.
- Fatigue.
- Headache.
- Muscle or body aches.
- New loss of taste or smell.
- Sore throat.
- Congestion or runny nose.
- Nausea or vomiting.
- Diarrhea.

- Storrs student with symptoms of potential COVID-19 infection will be evaluated and tested as soon as possible. Testing will be performed by SHaW for residential and non-residential students for the Storrs campus. Student can call the SHaW Advise Nurse at 860.486.4700 for guidance.
- Regional Campus Students, including residential and nonresidential Stamford students should consult with their primary care physician and be tested at one of the many testing sites across the state. Regional campus students should report test results to the Student Affairs Office on their campus.
- Faculty and staff with symptoms students should consult with their primary care physician and be tested at one of the many testing sites across the state. Faculty and staff with COVID-19 questions may also call the COVID-19 Call Center at UConn Health at 860.679.3199 for guidance.
- Statewide testing locations – database maintained by Connecticut United Way.
  - Phone: In CT dial 2-1-1, Relay services can be accessed by calling 7-1-1, or anyone who is out-of-state – toll free 1-800-203-1234.
- Asymptomatic persons who are identified as close contacts of persons with confirmed or probable COVID-19 should be tested. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) defines a close contact as someone who was within 6-ft of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days before illness onset.

D. INTERNAL COMMUNICATION OF COVID-19 CASES

To swiftly deal with potential hot spots and to prevent the spread of COVID-19 it is important to properly handle notifications to campus officials as we become aware of positive COVID-19 cases. HR coordinates a process for notifying employees of a potential workplace COVID-19 exposure, in which they assist supervisors/managers to make this notification. HR will work with EH&S to review the existing process and modify, as needed. HR will provide guidance for managers/supervisor to ensure the proper notification process. SHaW will assist in the notification process for students. The notification process will be dependent on how the University receives the information of a positive case and will be carried out as follows:

- **LHD/CT DPH Initiated Reporting (if there is a Public Health Need) –** SHaW or EH&S will field inquiries

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and reach out to appropriate UConn groups on the Storrs campus for notification procedures and follow-up activities, as deemed necessary for public health reasons. The Campus Directors will serve as the primary contacts for LHDs/CT DPH at the regional campuses.

- **Employee Self-Reporting** – Notify manager who contacts HR for developed guidance. EH&S available for additional guidance.
- **Contractor and On-Campus External Partner Self-Reporting** – Report to a UConn representative, who contacts HR for developed guidance. EH&S is available for additional guidance.
- **Student Self-Reporting** – Students may self-report to various University officials (instructor, Hall Director, on-campus employer, SHaW, etc.). The University community should notify SHaW or the appropriate regional campus contact of any student self-reporting. A public education program to outline how a student can self-report to others is needed.

**E. STUDENT MEDICAL CARE**

- **Medical Care - Storrs**

  UConn Student Health and Wellness (SHaW) provides medical care to students on the Storrs campus. Following the State’s “Stay Safe, Stay Home” policy, SHaW is currently operating under the following conditions:
  
  o Storrs residential students should consider SHaW Medical Care their primary health resource if they develop symptoms of an acute illness while on campus.

  o Students who become symptomatic for COVID-19 will be evaluated by SHaW and provided telemedicine visits. Storrs residential students who test positive for COVID-19 will be placed in self-isolation or advised to return home until it is determined they are no longer infectious by SHaW Medical Care. See Part 3 of this plan on containment for more information.

  o In-person routine and “well” visits (i.e. physical exams, annual exams, immunizations) may be temporarily suspended based on staffing and COVID-19 activity.

  o The majority of clinical encounters will move to phone and telemedicine to continue to diagnose, monitor, or treat an illness or injury.

    - See [Healthcare from your Home](https://shs.uconn.edu/coronavirus/) to make the best of your telemedicine experience.

  o Students will be pre-screened prior to entering the SHaW building for scheduled in-person clinical appointments.

  o Chairs in the hallways and waiting room have been spaced accordingly along with 6-ft demarcations along the floors to continue to practice social distancing as much as possible.

  o A packing list of recommended self-care items to bring to campus can be found on the SHaW Medical Care website. ([https://shs.uconn.edu/coronavirus/](https://shs.uconn.edu/coronavirus/))

  o Provide Pharmacy services at curb-side.

- **Medical Care – All other campuses**

  o Students living off campus at all regional campuses and residential students in Stamford should consult with their primary care physician if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms as listed in section C. above.
F. MENTAL HEALTH AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

UConn’s Student Health and Wellness – Mental Health supports the mental and behavioral health needs of the UConn community. Individuals who are experiencing overwhelming anxiety or other mental health challenges resulting from the pandemic and its effects should seek mental health support. Mental health resources include:

- **SHaW** – Mental Health website with information on managing mental health during the pandemic. [https://counseling.uconn.edu/mental-health-COVID19/](https://counseling.uconn.edu/mental-health-COVID19/). There is also a link to the F.A.C.E. C.O.V.I.D. handout, a resource for those who may be struggling with the mental and emotional aspects of COVID-19’s effects. It includes helpful written content combined with links to meditations and beneficial practices.

- **UConn students enrolled at the Storrs Campus**, may contact SHaW—Mental Health for support. SHaW – Mental Health offers free and confidential 24/7 support for mental health crises. Crisis support is available during business hours (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) in Arjona, 4th floor office. After-hours support is available by phone by calling **860.486.4705**. Please note that 24/7 support is available during the fall and spring semesters.

- **Regional campus students** may contact the regional clinical case managers located at the UConn Mental Health Resource Centers on each regional campus.
  - Hartford - [https://mhrc.hartford.uconn.edu/](https://mhrc.hartford.uconn.edu/)
  - Stamford – [https://mhrc.stamford.uconn.edu/](https://mhrc.stamford.uconn.edu/)

- Faculty and instructors will be provided guidance/suggestions on how to support students during the pandemic, such as, providing flexible deadlines and checking in with students during class.

- **Staff and faculty needing mental health support** should utilize the Employee Assistance Program, administered by HR. The Employee Assistance Program provides confidential professional assessment, brief counseling, and/or timely referrals to community resources for multiple issues and concerns.

G. COVID-19 COORDINATOR

The Executive Vice President for Administration/Chief Financial Officer is the university’s Senior COVID-19 Coordinator. The Coordinator is the liaison with coordinators at other colleges and universities in the state to share information and best practices. The Coordinator is responsible for ensuring the reporting of COVID-19 cases for the university.

The Associate Vice President for Public Safety is the alternate COVID-19 Coordinator.

- **COVID-19 Data**
  
  SHaW along with partner departments across the University, are working to develop an automated and centralized approach to COVID-19 data collection and management. From this automated system, pertinent information will be sent to applicable departments, which will then utilize this data
to initiate their own internal workflows. From this information, leadership will be able to gauge appropriate actions or changes in workflow that need to occur in order to continue operations at a level that provides optimal safety for students and efficient management of high volume movement of students through the various monitoring and care stages of COVID disease management. Aggregate data will be analyzed and stratified to report various benchmarks to University leadership.

PART 3- PLAN FOR CONTAINMENT

A. ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE

In support of containing the spread of the virus, UConn has protocols in place to support isolation and quarantine, including designated space on the Storrs and Stamford campuses, providing active clinical monitoring of COVID-19 positive students and support services, including the delivery of meals for residential students on the Storrs campus.

UConn is committed to ensuring equal access for students with disabilities during the COVID-19 pandemic. Under some circumstances, students may need to be exempted from COVID-19 requirements due to disability-related reasons with approval from the Center for Students with Disabilities (CSD).

- **Definitions: Isolation and Quarantine.**

  Isolation - Isolation is used to separate people infected with the virus (those who are sick with COVID-19 and those with no symptoms) from people who are not infected. People who are in isolation should stay home until it’s safe for them to be around others.

  Quarantine - Quarantine is used to keep someone who might have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others. Quarantine helps prevent spread of disease that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected with the virus without feeling symptoms. People in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others, monitor their health, and follow directions from their state or local health department.

To contain the spread of the virus UConn will implement the following containment procedures:

- **Student Containment Plan - Storrs**

  - UConn has designated isolation locations on campus for residential students.
    - 200 spaces reserved in the UConn Mansfield Apartments.
  
  - Storrs students who test positive for COVID-19 will be placed in self-isolation or advised to return home until it is determined they are no longer infectious by SHaW Medical Care. This may involve temporarily residential students temporarily being relocated to alternative housing during their period of self-isolation. Non-residential students will be advised to self-isolate in their off-campus residence. Self-isolation means students cannot attend face-to-face instruction, other group functions or events, and may only leave their designated isolation space to seek medical care.
  
  - When asked by SHaW staff, Storrs-based students need to supply information about their contacts so that appropriate contract tracing can be completed. Contact tracing is performed in collaboration with the EHHD.
  
  - Students who have been identified as being in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 must self-quarantine for 14-days. In addition, these individuals will be

offered testing for COVID-19 as clinically indicated. Self-quarantine means residents cannot attend face to face instruction, other group functions or events. Storrs students on the meal plan may go to dining facilities and pick up food to go. Residents who live in apartments should prepare for the likelihood that they will be quarantined at some point during the semester and therefore should have enough food on hand to support a 14-day period. Storrs residents identified as close contacts will be required to be tested for COVID-19 by SHaW Medical Care. Please note: self-quarantine periods will be repeated for subsequent exposures.

- Medical support to students in isolation will be provided by SHaW. This includes monitoring of positive cases with daily telemedicine visits.
- Additional support services, such as meal delivery, will also be provided to Storrs residential students in isolation.
- Students who require an elevated level of care and can no longer be managed by services provided by SHaW will be transported to a local acute care facility.
- Common areas in residence halls will be closed and decontaminated, as appropriate, if a student tests positive for COVID-19.

**Student Containment Plan - Stamford**

- UConn Stamford has designated comfort care locations on campus for residential students.
  - Lillian Apartments.
- Stamford residential students who test positive for COVID-19 will be offered a comfort care location or advised to return home until it is determined they are no longer infectious by their primary care provider. Non-residential students will be advised by their providers to self-isolate in their off-campus residence. Self-isolation means students cannot attend face-to-face instruction, other group functions or events and may only leave their designated isolation space to seek medical care. Students who are able may choose to self-isolate at home.
- Contact tracing for Stamford residential students will be provided by the Stamford Health Department.
- Students who have been identified as being in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 must self-quarantine for 14-days. Self-quarantine means residents cannot attend face to face instruction or other group functions or events.

**Residential Staff Containment Plan**

Residential staff who test positive for COVID-19 will be directed to self-isolate or advised to return home until it is determined they are no longer infectious. This may involve residents temporarily being re-located to alternative housing during their period of self-isolation. Self-isolation means residents cannot attend face-to-face meetings, other group functions or events and may only leave their designated isolation space to seek medical care. Residents who are able may choose to self-isolate at home.

**B. CONTACT TRACING**

Contact tracing is an essential public health function used in conjunction with testing to effectively manage disease transmission in a community. It is conducted by appropriately trained and credentialed professionals and volunteers, who identify and follow up with persons who may have had close contact.
with a person infected with the COVID-19. The aim of contact tracing is to prevent the chain of disease transmission and limit the spread of infection.

- **SHaW COVID-19 Contact Tracing Plan for UConn Storrs Students**
  
  Student Health and Wellness staff in collaboration with Eastern Highlands Health District (EHHD) are responsible for COVID-19 contact tracing for UConn Storrs students.

  - Student Health and Wellness staff will be trained in the ContaCT Connecticut state database as EHHD designees.
  - All students who are identified as positive cases of COVID-19 in the ContaCT database will be contacted by SHaW staff to perform contact tracing in collaboration with EHHD.
  - All identified contacts will be entered into the ContaCT database.
    - Storrs students who are identified as contacts will receive active monitoring and support during their recommended period of self-monitoring/self-quarantine by SHaW.
    - Non-Storrs students who are identified as contacts will receive active monitoring and support during their recommended period of self-monitoring/self-quarantine by their local health district/department.

- **COVID-19 Contact Tracing for Stamford Students in Residential Housing**

  - Contact tracing for students in residential housing on the Stamford campus will be performed by the Stamford Health Department.
  - Active monitoring and support for all Stamford students during the recommended period of self-monitoring/self-quarantine will be performed the Stamford Health Department.
    - Stamford students in residential housing will be identified as living in a congregate setting in the database.
    - Stamford Health Department has access to local resources and supports for Stamford students.
    - Stamford students will have access to the SHaW COVID-19 nurse advice line 860.486.4700.

- **COVID-19 Contact Tracing of Non-residential Populations**

  A contact tracer from a local health department (LHD) or the CT DPH may need to contact UConn if they determine there is a public health need. They would reach out to obtain or share information for public health reasons and to facilitate further environmental controls or additional contact tracing as needed. UConn will provide key points of contact, to include SHaW for student-related matters and EH&S for matters related to all other populations (e.g., faculty, staff, contractors, non-state employees, etc.) on the Storrs campus. These key contacts will field inquiries and reach out to appropriate UConn groups for contact information or other follow up actions. The campus directors at regional campuses will serve as the primary contacts.

  - Local Health Departments for the campus municipality:
    - Avery Point: Ledge Light Health District - Stephen Mansfield, Director of Health (860) 448-4882
    - Hartford: Hartford Health Department - Liany E. Arroyo, Director Health (860) 757-4700
    - Stamford: Stamford Health Department - Jennifer A.M. Calder, Director of Health (203) 977-4398
- Mansfield: Eastern Highland Health District – Robert L. Miller, Director of Health (860) 429-3325
- Waterbury: Waterbury Health Department - William Quinn, Director of Health (203) 574-6780
  - All other Local Health Departments.
  - https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Local-Health-Admin/LHA/Local-Health-Administration---Site-Map

C. HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

A complete list of Connecticut Acute Care Hospitals with contact information for the Hospital Preparedness Coordinator is attached to this plan (see Attachment 1) in the event that a surge occurs on campus and/or in the region. The closest hospital to the Storrs campus is Windham Hospital. But hospitals in Rockville, Hartford, and John Dempsey Hospital are all less than an hour away. Stamford Hospital serves the Stamford area.

**PART 4- PLAN FOR ALTERING OPERATIONS/CAMPUS - SHUTDOWN**

In the event of a declared public health emergency and/or civil preparedness emergency, Connecticut state statutes confer broad authority on the governor and the commissioner of the Department of Public Health to take certain actions to protect the health and safety of the population. See CGS § 19a-131 et seq. (public health emergency); CGS § 28-1 et seq. (civil preparedness). Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont declared both a public health emergency and a civil preparedness emergency in response to COVID-19 on 10 March 202021. The scope of authority conferred under these statutes permits the governor and commissioner to issue orders that would effectively shut down UConn.

UConn successfully “shut down” all campuses and moved academic operations to all distance learning in the middle of the spring 2020 semester. Campus operations were altered, mission critical operations continued with limited staff, business functions were mainly carried out by remote staff, travel and study abroad programs were ceased and special accommodations were made for students to remain in campus housing that could not go home. The same processes and procedures developed for that shut down along with lessons learned have been incorporated into planning for the fall semester.

- **Shutdown Initiated by UConn, if a Serious Outbreak Occurs on Campus.**

  The UConn President has the authority to shut down the university and will consultation with state and local health officials. Additional public officials have the authority to shutdown the university. This includes the Governor, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health, local campus health director (Easter Highland Health District for the Storrs Campus), Mansfield Town Manager (Storrs Campus), and the Commissioner of the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

  In the event of a shutdown due to the resurgence of COVID-19, students that are in isolation or quarantine following CDC guidance, may remain on campus until they are no longer contagious and it is safe for them to travel. Support services will be provided to those students.

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22 Report of the Higher Education Subcommittee Reopen Connecticut calls for a plan to shutdown campus. For purposes of our plan shutting down may include closing campuses, or altering campus operations. Even if academic operations move to all distance learning critical campus and business operations will need to continue with minimal or telecommuting staff.
UConn will be closely monitoring federal, state and local information on the prevalence of COVID-19 in the state or region. Led by the EPG, University departments will implement a number of actions in order to prepare for, and carry out, the swift and safe alteration of University operations at any or all UConn campuses. At a minimum these activities include:

- Monitor guidance from EHHD, CT DPH and CDC
- The University EPG will convene to provide guidance and direction in preparation for shutdown.
- Convene numerous internal Working Groups (Reporting to the EPG) to provide recommendations and refined guidance in their specific area.
  - Student Affairs.
  - Academic Affairs & TA/GA.
  - Operations.
  - Fiscal.
  - Research.
  - Staff & Faculty (Human Resources).
- Close the Student Union and the Rec Center.
- Close the Library and transition to on-line support.
- Close the Book Store.
- Determine critical activities and service that need staff on campus.
- Implement Alternate Work Programs.
  - Teleworking
  - Rotational Shifts
  - Alternate reduction, work schedules.
- Consider impact on workforce.
- Accommodate individuals with disabilities – students, faculty, and staff.
- Implement actions for research projects.
  - Hard Stop
  - Gradual Stop
  - Continue (to include animal care).
- Ensure availability of medical consultation.
  - Students.
  - Staff/Faculty.
- Prepare space for isolation and quarantine.
  - Provide support to students on campus in isolation or quarantine.
  - Provide medical support/emotional support.
  - Provide for food and meal support.
o Develop public education materials for University platforms.
  - Establish public information rhythm.
  - Develop daily message – email
  - Town Halls
  - UConn Website – FAQs

o Place barriers to limit access to restricted areas and post signs with emergency instructions across campus

o Participate in Governor’s Unified Command conference calls and provide updates on the status of UConn actions.

o Communicate with local public safety and health officials in each community that has a UConn campus.

o Assess status of each campus.

o Initiate suspension of large gatherings, including conferences, student activities, and sporting events.

o Provide for mental health and spiritual needs.

o Capture, compile, and document incident costs.

o Evaluate construction projects, determine ability to continue safely or suspend operations.

o Communicate early closing procedures for residential students.
  - Students will be notified via email and other messaging that the residential areas need to close and students need to vacate them the following steps will be followed:
    - Residential areas are closing and the reason for this. In addition, students will be given a time line and instructions for checking out.
    - Students will be instructed to pack and remove all belongings from their rooms/apartments and turn in their keys.
    - Students who are unable to take all their belongings with them when they move out because they have no method for transporting these items will be asked to pack and label their belongings and send them to another location. The University will provide students with information about shipping supplies and services. Belongings cannot remain on campus.
    - Students who have no other housing options except to remain on campus will be instructed to submit a request to remaining campus. This request will include rationale and documentation that supports the request. Requests will be reviewed by a committee of individuals and students will receive information that approved or denies their request to remain in on-campus housing.
    - Students who remain on campus may be relocated to different housing assignments if this becomes necessary.

o Notify Faculty and Staff.
• **Shutdown of the State**
  If the Governor of the State of Connecticut determines that a statewide shutdown is required, UConn will follow the guidance and leadership of the state to institute an orderly shutdown of the University. The same actions described above for a UConn initiated shutdown will be followed.

• **Plan for the Continuation of Instruction if a Shutdown Occurs**
  In March 2020, during the Spring Semester, UConn, in conjunction with guidance from the State DPH and federal CDC, the decision was made to effectively shutdown the university from normal operations and to transition to a 100% on-line learning environment. At that time, the decision was made to do so just prior to the Spring Break. Faculty and Staff used the time in-between the start of Spring Break and the resumption of classes to pivot to 100% on-line learning. A robust support network was developed by the Provosts Office working with the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) and Information Technologies Service (ITS). This included teaching and instructing faculty on the use of WebEx and other presentation models to ensure the fulfillment and delivery of the curriculum.

  The lessons learned from this experience has postured UConn faculty to be prepared to switch (turn-on-a-dime) to a 100% on-line instruction experience. The Provost has instructed all faculty and instructors to be prepared in the event that the University has to rapidly transition again to 100% on-line (no in-person) instruction. They are ready and prepared.

  In the event of a shutdown, the plan to transition to 100% on-line instruction includes the following:
  - Provide guidance to students & faculty on the transition to 100% on-line learning to include duration.
  - Set date to commence transition and provide additional time as needed to conduct the transition – by course or individually.
  - Implement guidance on the use of distance education methods.
  - Accommodate individuals with disabilities.
  - Develop public education materials for University platforms.
  - Develop daily messaging – email to address the educational challenges facing students and faculty.
  - Conduct and facilitate Town Hall discussions separately targeting students and faculty to ease the transition to 100% on-line instruction.
  - Provide and answer FAQs on the UConn Website – FAQs.

**CONCLUSION**

The implementation and execution of the UConn Phase 3 Reopening Plan, and specifically the four plans contained in this document, is contingent upon the University and the State of Connecticut achieving the Seven Gating Conditions. At the time of the submission of this plan, it appears that the gating conditions will be achieved. However, the metrics of these conditions are fragile and they could change rapidly. If the Gating Condition for the Reduction in the Prevalence of the COVID-19 changes and is not met, the Reopening of UConn for the fall semester could be delayed and require the semester to commence on-

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23 [https://uconn.edu/public-notification/coronavirus/](https://uconn.edu/public-notification/coronavirus/)
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