



**SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, STATE OF COLORADO
DENVER COUNTY**

SECOND AMENDED JOINT)
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER) 2021-02
REGARDING COURT OPERATIONS)
UNDER COVID-19)

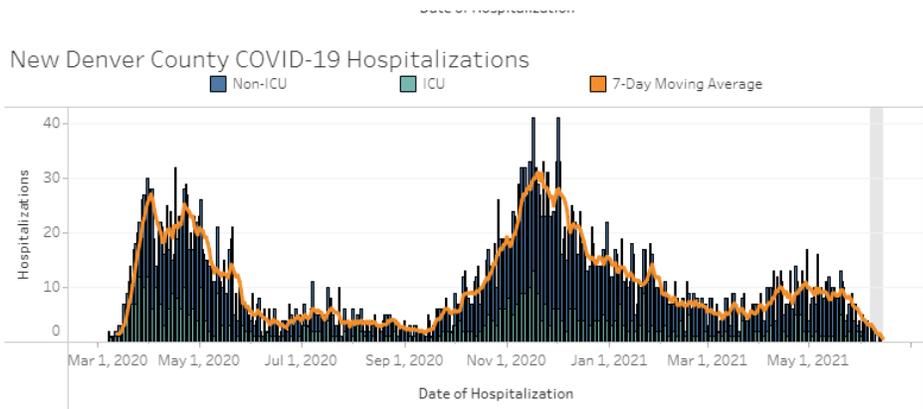
On May 17, 2021, Chief Justice Brian Boatright issued his Order Regarding Safety in Colorado Courthouses (hereinafter the “Safety Order”), which required individuals to wear face coverings in public areas of courthouses and probation offices through June 18, 2021. The Safety Order also allowed the chief judge of each judicial district to determine facial covering requirements in non-public areas and physical distancing requirements in public and non-public areas of courthouses and probation offices.

On May 25, 2021 Joint Administrative Order 2021-02 was issued incorporating the requirements for face coverings in public courthouse and probation spaces outlined by the Chief Justice, further reducing face covering requirements for non-public areas to maintain alignment with local public health recommendations for Denver city facilities, as well as reducing social distancing in a phased manner, requiring 3’ of physical distance in areas where members of the public are seated together for extended periods of time. This has included courtrooms, jury deliberation rooms, and jury assembly rooms.

The Chief Justice’s Safety Order, incorporating face covering requirements for public Court and Probation spaces, will not be extended and expires June 18, 2021. Today, the Chief Justice has issued his Updated Order Regarding Safety in Colorado Courthouses. Beginning on June 19, 2021, the chief judge of each judicial district is authorized to determine facial covering and physical distancing requirements in courthouses and probation offices in their judicial district. Chief judges must make these decisions in consultation with local public health officials when possible, and after consideration of local circumstances including vaccination rates, COVID positivity rates and other metrics, courthouse layout, and staffing needs. Chief judges must prioritize safety for the public and the staff in making these decisions and must strive to ensure that individuals interacting with our court system feel safe.

As of this date Denver COVID-19 trends continue to show vast improvement; with transmission and hospitalization rates steadily declining, as depicted by the Denver Public Health COVID-19 dashboard data included below. In addition, Denver is rapidly approaching the target vaccination rate, as 62.5% of

Denver residents are fully vaccinated, with over 70% of Denver residents having received at least the initial dose of the vaccine.

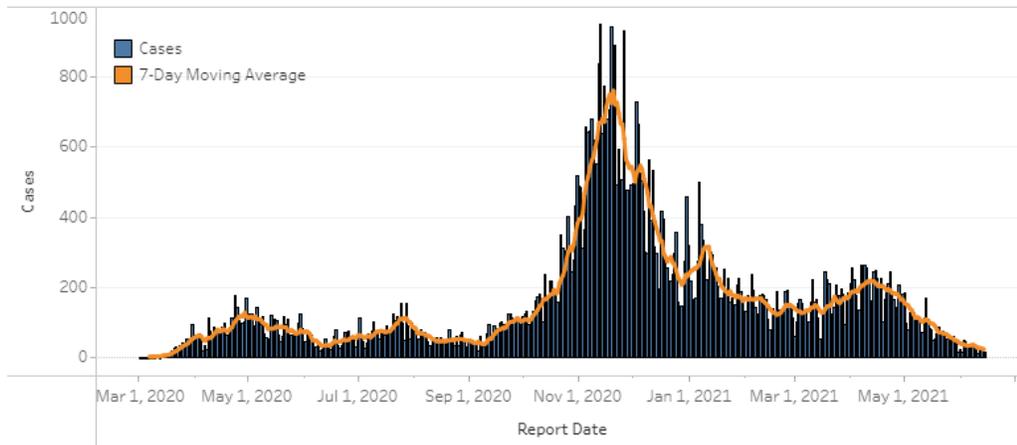


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Data Source: Colorado Electronic Disease Reporting System (CEDRS)



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Denver County COVID-19 Cases by Day of Report



Congregate settings include long-term care facilities, jails, and cases in people experiencing homelessness.
Data Source: Denver Public Health COVID-19 Surveillance System



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Snapshot of COVID-19 in Denver County

Total Cases	Cases: Percent Change <i>Change in 7-day average from previous week Last 3 days excluded</i>
73,296	-21.1%
Total Currently Hospitalized	Hospitalized: Percent Change <i>Change in 7-day average from previous week</i>
39	-17.3%
Total Deaths	Deaths: Percent Change <i>Change in 14-day average from previous week</i>
838	-14.3%
Denver Residents Initiating Vaccination <i>At least 1 dose received</i>	Denver Residents Completing Vaccination <i>All required doses received</i>
447,712 (70.7% of Denver Population 12 Years and Over)	395,587 (62.5% of Denver Population 12 Years and Over)

Following consultation with local public health officials, based on the information cited above confirming the improvement in metrics and local vaccine availability and inoculation rates, Denver Court and Probation facilities will move to the following:

Face Coverings: In alignment with local public health orders and city building requirements, Denver Court and Probation facilities will move to optional face coverings in all spaces effective June 21, 2021. **Pursuant to Executive Order D 2021 103; any individual who is not fully vaccinated is still encouraged to wear a medical or non-medical cloth face covering that covers the nose and mouth when entering or within an indoor space where members of different households are present. Individuals exhibiting signs of illness or symptoms related to COVID-19 should not report and instead contact the Courts or Probation for additional instruction.**

The Van Cise-Simonet Detention Facility, including entry and the first floor, will be exempted from this order; with deference to their internal organization protocols regarding face coverings in detention facilities.

Social Distancing: The City and County of Denver no longer has social distancing requirements for most facilities and settings, including buildings housing court operations. Therefore, the courts of the 2nd Judicial District, upon consideration of the guidance of the DDPHE, will **remove** the presumed criteria for social distancing in court facilities or operations locations. This transition will commence on July 19, 2021. Further, the number of jurors summoned for jury duty on a given date will be increased to reflect resulting capacity changes effective **July 19, 2021.**

Dated this 18 day of June 2021.

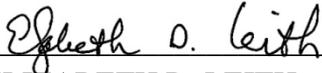
BY THE COURT:



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Chief Judge, Second Judicial District



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Presiding Judge, Denver Probate Court



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