

# **Return to Full Capacity** (RTFC)

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# **Agenda**



- Welcome
  - Chief Justice Bridget M. McCormack
- Overview of RTFC
  - Tom Boyd
- Framework of the RTFC Guidelines
  - Ed Zobeck
- Phases
  - Jodi Latuszek



Q & A

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#### **Overview of RTFC**



- Decision to RTFC will be made by each court based on conditions in the court's region
- The Supreme Court has provided guidelines in "Return To Full Capacity: COVID-19 Guidelines for Michigan's Judiciary" to assist in developing a plan for approval to move through the four phases
- Each court or combination of courts within a close geographic area should convene a planning committee including representatives from:

  - Local health authority
  - Funding unit



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#### **Overview of RTFC**



- The 'guidelines' contain suggestions for activities for Employees, Chief Judge and Court, Facilities and Human Resources considerations
- The 'guidelines' also include mandatory activities for moving from phase to phase
  - Must satisfy and demonstrate the court successfully passes the gating criteria at each
  - Must develop a plan to move from one phase to another
  - The plan must be approved by SCAO
- The resources of the Supreme Court and SCAO are here to support you contact your Regional Administrator



#### Framework of the RTFC Guidelines – 3 Key Components



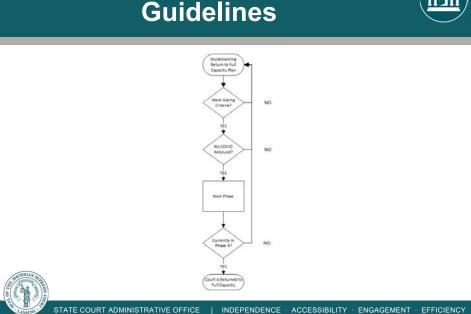
- 1. Gradual return to full capacity using four phases
- 2. Gating criteria that must be satisfied to move from phase to phase
  - 1. Ensures safety of court personnel and litigants
  - 2. Allows court to move forward OR backward in phases based on gating criteria
- 3. Planning team
  - 1. Gathers and evaluates gating criteria
  - 2. Develops a plan to move from phase to phase
  - 3. Partners with SCAO through Regional Administrator for plan approval



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#### Framework of the RTFC **Guidelines**





#### Framework of the RTFC Guidelines – 3 Key Components



- Gating criteria
  - Same gate is used prior to each phase
  - · Ensures decrease in infection rates and available hospital resources
  - No rebound between phases
- Four phases
- Considerations in each phase
  - Employees
  - Chief Judge and Court
  - Human Resources
  - Facilities



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### Where to Begin -**Convene a Planning Group**



- Gather data
  - Total service area population
  - Population density
  - Population over 60
  - · Availability of ICU beds
  - Stresses on local hospitals and ICU systems
  - Number of confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Operations consistent with phases recommended by public health community



# **Pre-Phase 1 Considerations**



- Employees
- Chief Judge and Court
- Human Resources
- Facilities



# Phase 1



- · Meets gating criteria
- · No Rebound
- Considerations
  - Employees
  - Chief Judge and Court
  - Human Resources
  - Facilities



### Phase 2



- · Meets gating criteria a second time
- No Rebound
- Considerations
  - Employees
  - Chief Judge and Court
  - Human Resources
  - Facilities



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### Phase 3



- Meets gating criteria a third time
- · No Rebound
- Considerations
  - Employees
  - Chief Judge and Court
  - Human Resources
  - Facilities



# Phase 4



- Meets gating criteria a fourth time
- No Rebound
- Considerations
  - Employees
  - Chief Judge and Court
  - Human Resources
  - Facilities



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### **Other Resources**



- CDC guidance
- Web resources
- Model phased plan
- MALPH guidance on opening courts
- Your Regional Administrator



