

FRIDAY's Breaking News: Ban on "non-essential gatherings"

of all sizes

A new New York State executive order with the acronym P.A.U.S.E. (for Policies Assure Uniform Safety for Everyone) includes a ban on non-essential gatherings of all types, and will go into effect Sunday. Businesses will have to keep 100% of employees at home. Businesses that violate the new rules face fines and closure.

The governor also announced a 90-day moratorium on evictions of residential or commercial tenants.

The greatest need is ventilators and the State needs 30,000 ventilators. Supplies remain a "major issue," and the state is now going to pay a premium to businesses that manufacture items like face masks, gloves and other critical supplies.

Earlier Friday morning, the governor announced that all barbershops, hair salons, tattoo parlors and related businesses would have to shut down by 8 p.m. on Saturday. The governor also unveiled an executive order Thursday night that will allow notary publics to use video technology to approve documents sent by fax or email.

PAUSE Provisions for Non-Vulnerable Populations

1. **Non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason (e.g. parties, celebrations, or other social events) are cancelled or postponed at this time.**
2. **Any concentration of individuals outside their home must be limited to workers providing essential services and social distancing should be practiced.**
3. **When in public individuals must practice social distancing of at least six feet from others.**
4. **Businesses and entities that provide essential services must implement rules that help facilitate social distancing of at least 6 feet.**
5. **Individuals should limit outdoor recreational activities to non-contact and avoid activities where you come in close contact with people.**
6. **Individuals should limit use of public transportation to when absolutely necessary, and should limit potential exposure by spacing out at least 6 feet from other riders.**
7. **Sick individuals should not leave their home unless to receive medical care, and only after a telehealth visit to determine if leaving the home is in the best interest of their health**
8. **Young people should also practice social distancing and avoid contact with vulnerable populations.**
9. **Precaution: Isopropyl alcohol wipes**