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Fort Sill transition to HPCON BRAVO

FORT SILL, OK — Fort Sill transitions Health Protection level (HPCON) Charlie to HPCON Bravo Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

The announcement aligns with the Governor Kevin Stitt’s "Open Up and Recover Safely (OURS) Plan.” When transitioning from each level, the criteria considered includes the downward trend of regional COVID-19 cases with no evidence of a resurgence.

In HPCON BRAVO, the installation and all individuals on base will continue to take prescribed precautions directed from Oklahoma and CDC guidelines to keep the risk low. The continue precautions include: continuing to self-monitor, practicing good hygiene, maintaining six feet of physical distance, wearing face coverings when social distancing guidelines cannot be met, and not exceeding recommended gathering limits. Lowering the health protection level will allow more areas on post to reopen and establish their operating procedures under this current condition.

"The Fires team efforts and actions to flatten the curve in our community has been diligent and effective," said Maj. Gen Ken Kamper, Fort Sill and Fires Center of Excellence commanding general. All individuals on the Fort Sill installation are still required to take the necessary precautions to ensure COVID19 is minimized. maintaining the six foot distancing rule or to wear a mask if six feet cannot be kept, wash hands and avoid common areas and avoid touching your face, and to stay at home if sick or feeling ill.
Fort Sill continues to place the health and safety of our Soldiers, civilians, their families, and our entire Lawton Ft Sill community as our highest priority. We will continue to closely monitor any developments that may impact our personnel and mission. Health Protection levels can be modified at any time due to the current conditions. We advise the Fort Sill Lawton community stay informed of any changes and announcements concerning travel restrictions and health advisories by staying up to date on the Fort Sill social media platforms and website.

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Editor’s Note:
1. For any questions pertaining to Fort Sill please contact Fires Center of Excellence Public Affairs office at 580-442-2521 or 580-442-2384.
3. Fort Sill Website (https://sill-www.army.mil/)
4. Fort Sill Twitter page (https://twitter.com/OfficialFtSill)
**HPCON: Health Protection Condition Levels COVID-19**

**Current HPCON Level: HPCON-C**

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### 0 Routine

No community transmission

- Take everyday actions to stop the spread of germs:
  - Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
  - Wash your hands often and for at least 20 seconds with soap & water.
  - Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue, then throw it in the trash; cough/sneeze into your elbow if tissue is unavailable.
  - Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
  - Ensure all immunizations are up to date, including your seasonal flu shot.
  - Stay home if you are sick and avoid close contact with family members & pets.
  - Create an emergency preparedness kit.

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### A Limited

Community transmission beginning

- Continue all previous actions and:
  - Routinely clean & disinfect frequently touched objects & surfaces.
  - If you are sick, call your medical provider for instructions on receiving care before going to the clinic.
  - Stay informed by routinely checking reliable sources for information such as the CDC and your local public health agencies.

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### B Moderate

Increased community transmission

- Continue all previous actions and:
  - Avoid unnecessary contact with others, such as shaking hands & hugging.
  - Avoid unnecessary travel, especially to areas known to be experiencing active disease transmission.
  - Ensure supplies of food, medication, and other items needed for babies & pets are available to last at least 14 days.
  - Prepare for travel restrictions & cancellation of public gatherings, such as schools, religious, and other community activities; make alternative arrangement for childcare.
  - Observe local guidance on movement restrictions & access requirements for military installations.
  - Seek guidance from employers & unit leaders about changes to work practices & TRNG events.
  - Comply with medical orders for self-isolation or quarantine.

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### C Substantial

Sustained community transmission

- Continue all previous actions and:
  - Expect cancellation of in-person gatherings (schools, daycare, all community activities) & restricted ability to travel.
  - Plan activities for family members, especially children, in case you are restricted to your home.
  - Prepare for the potential of limited access to supplies & services, including severely restricted access to military installations.
  - Implement remote work procedures as directed by employer.
  - If outside the United States, authorized or ordered departures actions may be implemented.

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### D Severe

Widespread community transmission

- Continue all previous actions and:
  - Except to remain home for extended periods of time as movement in the community may be restricted and at-home isolation or quarantine may be directed.
  - Follow all directives and guidance from local, state and federal authorities; these actions are to protect the health and safety of you and your family.