



**II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

**A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact**

Fiscal Years	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Net Fiscal Impact	_____*	_____	_____	_____	_____

# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative) \_\_\_\_\_

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
 Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Budget Account Exp No:  
 Rev No:

**B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

\*Fiscal impact is undeterminable at this time. The County will request reimbursement of actual expenses associated with the Coronavirus through the PA program and or utilize the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Relief Fund.

Departmental Fiscal Review: \_\_\_\_\_ *[Signature]*

**II. REVIEW COMMENTS**

**A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:**

*[Signature]* 10/21/21  
 OFMB *[Signature]* 10-21-21  
*[Signature]* 10/21/21  
*[Signature]* 10/25/21  
 Contract Administration  
 10-25-21 TW

**B. Legal Sufficiency:**

*[Signature]* 10/26/21  
 Assistant County Attorney

**C. Other Department Review:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.



**DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, a nationwide declaration of emergency was issued due to an outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused the death of a number of citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States remains under a current state of public health emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County was under a local State of Emergency from March 13, 2020 through June 26, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has designated the B.1.617.2 variant of the COVID-19 virus, known as the "Delta" variant, a variant of concern for which there is evidence of an increase in transmissibility, more severe disease, and a reduction in neutralization by antibodies generated during previous infection or vaccination <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/17/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC has found that the Delta variant has caused a reversal in the downward trajectory of cases, a rapid rise in COVID cases, and an alarming increase in hospitalization rates <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/17/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, the Delta variant is currently the predominant strain of the virus in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC has rated the level of community transmission in Palm Beach County as "high," based on more than 600 new cases per 100,000 persons in the past seven (7) days <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view> (accessed 8/17/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, based on the foregoing, at its August 17, 2021 regular meeting, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners unanimously voted to declare a local State of Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT,** in accordance with the directive from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
2. A state of local emergency hereby exists in Palm Beach County, Florida, and shall continue in full force and effect for seven (7) days, until 12:01 a.m., August 24, 2021.
3. This Declaration shall expire at the date and time set forth herein unless further extended or terminated by the Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor, Vice Mayor, or County Administrator, as permitted in the Palm Beach County Code.
4. This Declaration shall be transmitted to the Secretary of State, shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court within three (3) days after issuance, shall be made available on the County's webpage dedicated to emergency orders accessible via a link on the County's homepage, and shall be delivered to appropriate news media for publication and radio and television broadcast.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY**


**APPROVED AS TO  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

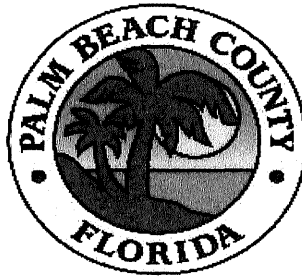
By:   
**Mayor Dave Kerner**

By:   
**County Attorney**

Date: August 17, 2021

**ATTEST  
CLERK & COMPTROLLER**

By:   
**Deputy Clerk**



**EMERGENCY DIRECTIVE 2021-A  
PALM BEACH COUNTY COVID-19  
HOSPITAL REPORTING DIRECTIVE**

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County is currently under a declared local State of Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 global pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has designated the B.1.617.2 variant of the COVID-19 virus, known as the “Delta” variant, a variant of concern for which there is evidence of an increase in transmissibility, more severe disease, and a reduction in neutralization by antibodies generated during previous infection or vaccination <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/20/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC has found that the Delta variant has caused a reversal in the downward trajectory of cases, a rapid rise in COVID cases, and an alarming increase in hospitalization rates <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/20/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC has analyzed data concluding that the Delta variant may cause more severe illness than previous strains in certain individuals, such that patients infected with the Delta variant may be more likely to be hospitalized than patients infected with other strains of the virus <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/20/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, the Delta variant is currently the predominant strain of the virus in the United States <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/20/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, the latest CDC data provides that the level of community transmission in Palm Beach County for the past seven (7) days is “high,” the CDC’s maximum benchmark for community transmission, based on Palm Beach County having 9,170 new COVID cases during the seven (7) day period, amounting to a rate of 612.65 new cases per 100,000 persons, which is a 17.58% increase over the prior reportable period <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html> (accessed 8/20/2021); and

**WHEREAS**, adequate hospital and ICU capacity must be preserved in Palm Beach County so that Palm Beach County residents and visitors requiring hospital or ICU care, whether for COVID-19 or other acute health issues, are able to access that care; and

**WHEREAS**, without adequate capacity available, including both physical facilities and necessary staffing, hospitals will be unable to provide required care for Palm Beach County residents and visitors, whether for COVID-19 or for other emergency health needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County needs certain limited, specific information, provided directly by the applicable hospitals to a single repository on a timely and accurate basis, to ensure continued bed capacity in area hospitals and to ensure local efforts to combat the COVID-19 virus are as effective as possible, all of which serves a compelling public health and safety purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, at its August 17, 2021 regular meeting, based on the foregoing, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners directed the issuance of this directive to serve the compelling public health and safety purpose of enabling Palm Beach County to effectively combat the COVID-19 virus and ensure adequate bed capacity in hospitals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED THAT**, in accordance with the directive from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

1. **Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
  
2. **Hospital Reports Required.** For the duration of this Emergency Directive 2021-A, each hospital shall report, by 11 a.m. each day, the following information from the prior day for each of its hospital location(s) physically located in Palm Beach County:
  - a. Total staffed hospital beds;
  - b. Current staffed General Acute Care beds (not including OB, Pediatric, or Specialty/Rehab beds);
  - c. Current staffed inventory of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds for:
    - (i) Adult
    - (ii) Pediatric
  - d. Total number of unused beds that can be converted to ICU beds;

- e. Total number of ventilators in hospital inventory (whether in use or not);
- f. Total census for all beds;
- g. Total census for General Acute Care beds;
- h. Total census for ICU beds for:
  - (i) Adult
  - (ii) Pediatric
- i. Total number of ventilators in use for all patients (including patients not admitted for COVID-19);
- j. Total COVID-19 positive patients currently admitted for:
  - (i) Adult
  - (ii) Pediatric
- k. Total COVID-19 positive patients in ICU beds for:
  - (i) Adult
  - (ii) Pediatric
- l. Total COVID-19 positive patients on a ventilator;
- m. New COVID-19 positive patients admitted since the prior day's reporting;
- n. COVID-19 positive patients discharged since the prior day's reporting;
- o. Total COVID-19 positive transfers in accepted;
- p. Total COVID-19 positive transfers out for:
  - (i) In county
  - (ii) Out of county
- q. Emergency department bed holds;

- r. If available, the number of COVID-19 positive patients admitted who were fully vaccinated (two weeks post final dose);
  - s. If available, the number of COVID-19 positive patients admitted who were unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated (not yet two weeks post final dose); and
  - t. Current status of whether hospital is conducting elective surgeries.
3. **Report Submission Procedure:** Reports shall be submitted electronically to Palm Beach County Division Emergency Management through the secure Hospital Report portal.
4. **Confidentiality.** No hospital shall transmit any individually identifiable patient health information that is protected from disclosure pursuant to federal or state law. If a hospital believes that all or some of this information is trade secret, as defined by applicable law, the hospital shall conspicuously label such information “Confidential Trade Secret” and indicate the assertion of trade secret protection when it transmits that information.
5. **Applicability; severability.** This Directive is not, is not intended to be, and shall not be construed to be an emergency order that limits the rights or liberties of individuals or businesses within Palm Beach County. This Directive applies to all incorporated and unincorporated areas within Palm Beach County, but has no application outside of Palm Beach County or to federally operated hospitals, including but not limited to a Veterans Affairs hospital or clinic. The provisions of this Emergency Directive shall serve as minimum standards, and municipalities within Palm Beach County may establish more stringent standards within their jurisdictions, to the extent permitted by law. Any provision(s) within this Directive that (i) conflict(s) with any state or federal law or constitutional provision, or (ii) conflict(s) with or are superseded by a current or subsequently-issued Executive Order of the Governor or the President of the United States solely to the extent such Executive Order preempts the substance of this Directive, shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed to be severed from this Directive, with the remainder of the Directive remaining intact and in full force and effect. To the extent application of some or all of the provisions of this Directive is prohibited on the sovereign land of a federally or state recognized sovereign Indian tribe, such application is expressly excluded from this Directive.

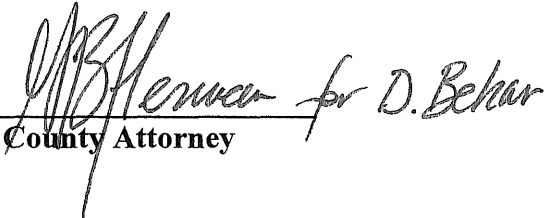


6. **Effective date; duration.** This Directive shall be effective on August 23, 2021, and shall expire upon the expiration of the existing local State of Emergency, as same may be extended by subsequent order or declaration, unless earlier terminated by subsequent Directive or Order.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY**

**APPROVED AS TO  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

By:   
County Administrator

By:   
County Attorney

Date: 8/20/21

**ATTEST  
CLERK & COMPTRROLLER**

By:   
Deputy Clerk

Filed Date: 8/20/21



**DECLARATION OF CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2021, Palm Beach County declared a local state of emergency (“Declaration of Emergency”) due to the outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused the death of a number of citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to applicable law, such local declarations of emergency shall continue for seven (7) days, unless extended as necessary, in seven (7) day increments; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the current data available, COVID-19 continues to constitute a clear and present threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the foregoing, it is necessary to extend the Declaration of Emergency for an additional seven (7) days, continuing the local state of emergency until 12:01 a.m. on August 31, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT**, pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on August 24, 2021, the Palm Beach County local Declaration of Emergency is hereby extended for an additional seven (7) days, until 12:01 a.m. on August 31, 2021.
3. This Declaration shall expire at the date and time set forth herein unless further extended or terminated by the Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor, Vice Mayor, or County Administrator, as permitted in the Palm Beach County Code.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

APPROVED AS TO  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By:   
Mayor Dave Kerner

By: /s/ Denise Coffman, Esq.  
County Attorney

Date: August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

ATTEST  
CLERK & COMPTROLLER

By:   
Deputy Clerk

Filed Date: August 23, 2021



**DECLARATION OF CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2021, Palm Beach County declared a local state of emergency (“Declaration of Emergency”) due to the outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused the death of a number of citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to applicable law, the Declaration of Emergency has been extended every seven (7) days due to the continuation of the COVID-19 outbreak in Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the current data available, COVID-19 continues to constitute a clear and present threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the foregoing, it is necessary to extend the Declaration of Emergency for an additional seven (7) days, continuing the local state of emergency until 12:01 a.m. on September 7, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT**, pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on August 31, 2021, the Palm Beach County local Declaration of Emergency is hereby extended for an additional seven (7) days, until 12:01 a.m. on September 7, 2021.
3. This Declaration shall expire at the date and time set forth herein unless further extended or terminated by the Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor, Vice Mayor, or County Administrator, as permitted in the Palm Beach County Code.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY**

**APPROVED AS TO  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

By:   
**Mayor Dave Kerner**

By: /s/ Denise Coffman, Esq.  
**County Attorney**

Date: August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**ATTEST  
CLERK & COMPTROLLER**

By:   
**Deputy Clerk**

Filed Date: August 30, 2021



**DECLARATION OF CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2021, Palm Beach County declared a local state of emergency (“Declaration of Emergency”) due to the outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused the death of a number of citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to applicable law, the Declaration of Emergency has been extended every seven (7) days due to the continuation of the COVID-19 outbreak in Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the current data available, COVID-19 continues to constitute a clear and present threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the foregoing, it is necessary to extend the Declaration of Emergency for an additional seven (7) days, continuing the local state of emergency until 12:01 a.m. on September 14, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT**, pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on September 7, 2021, the Palm Beach County local Declaration of Emergency is hereby extended for an additional seven (7) days, until 12:01 a.m. on September 14, 2021.
3. This Declaration shall expire at the date and time set forth herein unless further extended or terminated by the Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor, Vice Mayor, or County Administrator, as permitted in the Palm Beach County Code.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

APPROVED AS TO  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By:   
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Mayor Dave Kerner

By: /s/ Denise Coffman, Esq.  
County Attorney

Date: 9/3/21

ATTEST  
CLERK & COMPTROLLER

By:   
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Deputy Clerk

Filed Date: September 3, 2021



**DECLARATION OF CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2021, Palm Beach County declared a local state of emergency (“Declaration of Emergency”) due to the outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused the death of a number of citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to applicable law, the Declaration of Emergency has been extended every seven (7) days due to the continuation of the COVID-19 outbreak in Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the current data available, COVID-19 continues to constitute a clear and present threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the foregoing, it is necessary to extend the Declaration of Emergency for an additional seven (7) days, continuing the local state of emergency until 12:01 a.m. on September 21, 2021.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT**, pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
2. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on September 14, 2021, the Palm Beach County local Declaration of Emergency is hereby extended for an additional seven (7) days, until 12:01 a.m. on September 21, 2021.
3. This Declaration shall expire at the date and time set forth herein unless further extended or terminated by the Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor, Vice Mayor, or County Administrator, as permitted in the Palm Beach County Code.



**PALM BEACH COUNTY**

**APPROVED AS TO  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Mayor Dave Kerner**

By: /s/ Denise Coffman, Esq.  
**County Attorney**

Date: 09/13/2021  
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**ATTEST  
CLERK & COMPTROLLER**

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Deputy Clerk**

Filed Date: 9/13/21  
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