



Federal Judicial Center
Office of International Judicial Relations

COVID-19 and the Courts
A Collection of Resources

Court Operations

[How COVID-19 Might Uproot Centuries of Litigation Traditions](#)

This article discusses technological changes courts are making due to COVID-19.

[Coronavirus and the Courts](#)

The National Center for State Courts has a wealth of resources to assist court systems maintain effective operations during the pandemic. This website also includes information about U.S. state court conditions and guidance about how to develop plans for gradually expanding in-person court operations, including [Considerations in Resuming Court Operations](#).

[Coronavirus: The Latest Court Closures and Restrictions](#)

This regularly updated page from Law360 reflects the operating status of United States federal and state courts.

[Coronavirus: The Latest EU Court Closures and Restrictions](#)

This regularly updated page from Law360 reflects the operating status of courts across the European Union.

Public Outreach

[Courts and Classes are Closed, But Judges Make Virtual House Calls During COVID-19 Crisis](#)

Judges and court officials get involved in virtual civics education during the pandemic.

Justice Issues

[Coronavirus: Healthcare and Human Rights of People in Prison](#)

Penal Reform International addresses issues related to coronavirus in prison.

[Defendants' Rights Hang In The Balance Amid Pandemic](#)

This article addresses discusses strategies for protecting defendants' rights during a pandemic.

[The Impact of COVID-19 on Prisons](#)

This webinar hosted by the Brookings Institution addresses issues facing prisons during the pandemic and discusses possible solutions.

Webinars and Podcasts

[The Coronavirus: How Are Courts Coping with the Crisis?](#)

The National Association for Court Management weekly podcast addresses the impact of the coronavirus on courts.

[Recorded Webcasts Keyed to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

Collection of podcasts produced by The National Judicial College. Each podcast addresses the practical and legal issues impacting courts during the pandemic.

[Ramping Down and Ramping Up: Lessons Learned from High Volume Trial Courts](#)

Webinar from the National Center for State Courts that explores issues such how to assess whether to keep a court open, what functions can be handled remotely, and how to protect the safety of staff.

Productivity and Resiliency

[Why Employee Communication is More Important Than Ever](#)

In this three-minute podcast, an expert in workplace improvement research explores how leaders of organizations can navigate uncertainty with focused communication. These insights may be helpful to court presidents and chief court administrators as they work with staff remotely.

[Coping With the Impact of COVID-19](#)

This website provides a compilation of resources to address the mental health effects of COVID-19.