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Out of concern for public health and preventing the spread of COVID-19, the Multnomah County Circuit Court is making plans to modify operations to reduce the number of people who need to come to the courthouse and other court facilities. At this time the court has implemented the following:

Multnomah County has increased the cleaning of various touchpoints throughout court facilities.

We are allowing deferrals for any juror who feels unable to serve at this time, such as jurors in higher risk categories or showing signs of illness. Jurors should contact the court at the phone number provided on the jury summons.

We are working to keep people from coming to a court facility unless they have an essential matter that cannot be handled by phone.

We are postponing many trials and other court proceedings. We are also evaluating all of the court's dockets in light of public safety concerns and determining which essential matters can be safely held at court facilities with appropriate social distancing.

We are posting signage throughout court facilities/on courthouse doors encouraging practices to avoid the spread of COVID-19. Additional hand sanitizer dispensers have been installed in court facilities.

As docket changes are determined we will notify the community, the local bar, and post changes on the court's website: <https://www.courts.oregon.gov/courts/multnomah>

Questions can be referred to: Mul.Public.Information@OJD.State.or.us

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