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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** The Honorable Joseph G. Foster, Collier Circuit Court Administrative Judge  
The Honorable Robert L. Crown, Collier County Court Administrative Judge

**FROM:** Michael T. McHugh, Chief Judge, Twentieth Judicial Circuit *KTW*

**CC:** Scott A. Wilsker, Trial Court Administrator  
Chuck Rice, Collier County Administrative Services Manager

**DATE:** August 20, 2020

**RE:** FDOH COVID-19 Data – Collier County Revisions to Operational Plan

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Pursuant to the most recent FDOH COVID-19 data for Collier County released by OSCA and analyzed by our Trial Court Administrator, the average positivity rate for the most recent two week period continues to decline from 11.1% to 10.9%. However, the positivity rates for the most recent two-week period still exceed 10%, with the earlier week of the two-week period at 11.1%.

In accordance with the Florida Supreme Court's third amendment to Administrative Order No. AOSC20-32, *In re: COVID-19 Public Health and Safety Precautions for Operational Phase Transitions*, and the adopted modification to benchmark criteria #3 made by the Court Operations Subgroup, I, as Chief Judge, direct the following revisions to the Twentieth Judicial Circuit's Operational Plan set forth in local Administrative Order 2.39, *In re: Mitigating Measures in Response to COVID-19 & Operational Plan for Resumption of Court Proceedings and Services*, as applied to Collier County only:

1. No inmates are to be physically transported from the Collier County Jail to the Collier County Courthouse for any reason. Remote appearances by inmates from the Collier County Jail via Polycom (or other remote technology) are permissible, with the exception of inmates who are in quarantine. This revision is to remain in effect until further notice.
2. Court appearances by inmates who are in quarantine at the Collier County Jail, even via Polycom (or other remote technology), are prohibited. Any such court appearances are to be continued until the inmate is no longer in quarantine, at which time the inmate may appear remotely via Polycom (or other remote technology). This revision is to remain in effect until further notice.
3. No criminal jury trials are to take place until at least September 28, 2020, subject to further revision as may be necessary.