As of the date of this tip, all regions in New York State, except for New York City, have met the criteria for some degree of reopening from the “New York State on PAUSE” COVID-19 virus lockdown. This tip contains links to significant web sites about reopening for the state as a whole and to web sites for the individual counties of the MidHudson Library System. Some regional cities or communities may have their own COVID-19 or reopening web sites: check the community’s home page for more information.

New York State COVID-19 Reopening Resources

The reopening plan for New York State is called “New York Forward”.
https://forward.ny.gov/

Industries Guidelines: Industries Reopening by Phase
https://forward.ny.gov/industries-reopening-phase
Provides Mandatory and Recommended Best Practices summary guidelines for each sector, in terms of physical distancing, protective equipment, hygiene and cleaning, communication, and screening.

New York Forward Business Reopening Lookup Tool
https://www.businessexpress.ny.gov/app/nyforward
“This tool will help you determine whether or not your business is eligible to reopen, and the public health and safety standards with which your business must comply.” Provides search by county and NAICS code; contains link to 2017 NAICS search lookup.

Statewide Guidelines
https://forward.ny.gov/statewide-guidelines
As of the date of this tip, only two guidelines exist: Lake and Ocean Beaches, and Religious and Funeral Services.

Regional Monitoring Dashboard
https://forward.ny.gov/regional-monitoring-dashboard
Displays and explains the metrics for the 10 regions of the state.

Columbia County Reopening (Capital Region)

Columbia Comeback
https://columbiacomeback.com/
“The Columbia Comeback committee was tasked by the Columbia County Board of Supervisors Chairman, Matt Murell, to guide the implementation of the Governor’s phased reopening guidelines and to help county businesses navigate and succeed in the new normal.”
Dutchess County Reopening (MidHudson Region)

Restarting Dutchess
https://www.dutchessny.gov/County-Government/Restarting-Dutchess.htm

“Restarting Dutchess’, is a multi-pronged initiative to effectively re-open the County’s economy and Dutchess County Government operations, while closely monitoring local and regional metrics to prevent further spread of the COVID-19.”

Greene County Reopening (Capital Region)

Re-opening Resources for Businesses In Response to COVID-19

Putnam County Reopening (MidHudson Region)

Putnam County EDC Covid 19 Related Business Resources
https://putnamedc.org/sba-disaster-loans/

Ulster County Reopening (MidHudson Region)

Ulster County COVID-19 Virtual Center
https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/
Has a “Businesses” drop-down menu with links to the reopening process, phases, supplies, and survey.