

Local Levels of Transmission:

- **Substantial community transmission:** Large-scale community transmission, including within communal settings (e.g., schools, workplaces)
- **Minimal to moderate community transmission:** Sustained transmission with high likelihood or confirmed exposure within communal settings and potential for rapid increase in cases
- **No to minimal community transmission:** Evidence of isolated cases or limited community transmission, case investigations underway; no evidence of exposure in large communal setting

Levels of transmission are used by the CDC in guidance for: [Managing Operations During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), the [CDC Framework for Healthcare Systems Providing Non-COVID-19 Clinical Care During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#), and the [Level of mitigation needed by level of community transmission and community characteristics](#).