



# U.S. Election Assistance Commission

Preliminary Planning for Increased Vote by Mail  
Interview 1- COVID19 Potential Response

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# Introductions



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# Increased Vote by Mail

# Question 1



As a potential response to COVID19 and to keep our voters safe, what is the first thing an election office should examine when determining the feasibility of increasing their vote by mail capacity?

# Question 2



As administrators who have overseen the transitions from a more traditional Election Day voting model to a vote by mail driven process, what are some of the significant lessons learned that may help your colleagues across the country?

# Question 3



What technological investments should an office consider if they are expecting a significant increase in vote by mail ballots?

# Question 4



What are the timeline issues an election office can or should expect when considering to move to vote by mail or increasing vote by mail capacity?



# Question 5



What resources or recruitment efforts must an election office consider with an increased focus on vote by mail?

# Question 6



What other considerations should election offices take into account when transitioning to or increasing their usage of vote by mail?

# CLOSING COMMENTS

