# Events and Gatherings: General Readiness Assessment

Use the following tool when making initial preparation before the event to promote healthy behaviors, environments, and operations that reduce the spread of COVID-19.

	Policies and Procedures		Facilities and Supplies		Education and Training		
Point Person(s): Rev. Charles Newman		Point Person(s): Michelle Scavo			Point Person(s): Toby Huagen		
<b>✓</b>	Review relevant local/state regulatory agency policies and orders, such as those related to events, gatherings, and travel.		Obtain supplies including:  ✓ soap	<b>✓</b>	Create a plan for educating staff and attendees to ensure they know that they should not come to the event if they become sick with COVID-19		
<b>✓</b>	Consult local health officials about recommended COVID-19 testing policies for events and gatherings.  Consult with the venue operators about their		<ul><li>✓ water for hand hygiene</li><li>✓ hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol)</li><li>✓ paper towels</li></ul>		symptoms, test positive for COVID-19, or have been exposed to someone with symptoms or someone suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19. Make sure they know that if they get sick at the event, they should notify event		
<b>√</b>	COVID-19 policies prior to the event.  Develop a plan to conduct daily health checks (e.g., temperature screening and/or <a href="mailto:symptom checking">symptom checking</a> ) of staff and attendees.		<ul><li>✓ tissues</li><li>✓ cleaning supplies</li></ul>	<b>✓</b>	administrators (e.g., the designated COVID-19 point of contact) right away.  Develop protocols to educate staff on flexible		
<b>√</b>	Develop a plan to allow for social distancing before, during, and after the event (e.g., limiting attendance and modifying layouts before the event, providing		<ul> <li>✓ EPA approved disinfection supplies</li> <li>✓ cloth face coverings</li> </ul>		work and leave policies that encourage sick staff members to stay at home without fear of job loss or other consequences.		
<b>✓</b>	physical barriers during the event and staggering exit times after the event).  Consider limiting event attendance to staff and attendees who live in the local area (e.g., community,		<ul> <li>✓ no-touch/foot pedal trash cans</li> <li>✓ no-touch soap/hand sanitizer dispensers</li> <li>✓ gloves</li> </ul>	✓	Create a plan for educating staff and attendees about who should wear <u>cloth face coverings</u> , and communicate the importance of wearing them to both staff and attendees. Cloth face coverings should <b>not</b> be placed on.		
	city, town, or county) to reduce risk of spreading the virus from areas with higher levels of COVID-19. If attendance is open to staff and guests from other communities, inform attendees in advance so they can make an informed decision whether they	<b>✓</b>	✓ disposable food service items □ other: Develop a schedule for increased routine <u>cleaning</u> and <u>disinfection</u> .		<ul> <li>children younger than 2 years old</li> <li>anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious</li> </ul>		
	will participate.  Develop online attendance options in addition to in-person attendance to help reduce the number of attendees at the event.	<b>✓</b>	Close shared spaces (e.g., a lounge); otherwise develop a plan for staggered use of these spaces and <u>cleaning</u> and <u>disinfecting</u> .	<b>✓</b>	<ul> <li>anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without help</li> <li>Create information on <u>proper use</u>, <u>removal</u>, and <u>washing of cloth face coverings</u> and distribute</li> </ul>		
<b>√</b>	Develop a flexible refund policy.  Designate a staff person responsible for responding to all COVID-19 related situations and concerns. Make	✓	Develop a plan for the <u>safe and correct use</u> and storage of <u>cleaners and disinfectants</u> , including storing products away from children.	<b>√</b>	to staff members.  Create and implement training to be delivered to staff on all COVID-19 safety protocols:		
	sure other staff and attendees know how to contact this person.		,		Conduct <u>training</u> virtually or maintain <u>social</u> <u>distancing</u> during training  Other:		

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	Policies and Procedures		Facilities and Supplies
✓	Develop policies that encourage sick staff members to stay at home without fear of job loss or other consequences. Protect their privacy, particularly for those with underlying medical conditions and at higher risk for severe illness).	<b>✓</b>	Make sure ventilation systems operate properly. If using fans, make sure they do not blow from one person onto another, and increase circulation of outdoor air as much as possible (e.g., opening windows and doors).
	Develop options for staff at higher risk for	$\checkmark$	Make sure <u>water systems</u> and features are safe to use after a prolonged facility shutdown.
	severe illness (e.g., telework or virtual learning opportunities).		Develop a plan to use touchless payment options $\boldsymbol{.}$
	✓ Develop flexible sick leave policies and practices.	<b>✓</b>	Develop a plan to use multiple entrances and exits to discourage crowding in waiting areas.
	Develop options for flexible worksites (e.g., telework) and flexible work hours (e.g., staggered shifts).	<b>✓</b>	Develop a plan to change seating layout or availability of seating, or block off rows or sections so that attendees can stay at least 6 feet apart.
	Develop a plan to monitor absenteeism of staff, cross-train staff, and create a roster of trained back-up staff.	<b>✓</b>	Create and install physical barriers, such as sneeze guards and partitions, in areas where it is difficult for individuals to remain at least 6 feet apart.
✓	Develop a transportation and parking plan to limit contact between attendees (e.g., staggered arrival and ride share drop-off times or locations).	<b>√</b>	Create physical guides, such as tape on floors and signs on walls, to promote social distancing.
✓	Develop a plan for if someone gets sick or shows symptoms of COVID-19 while at the event or venue. (See Preparing for If Someone Gets Sick).	<b>✓</b>	Develop a plan to eliminate lines or queues if possible or encourage people to stay at least 6 feet apart by providing signs or other visual cues such as tape or chalk marks in congregation areas such as entrances, exits, and restrooms
$\checkmark$	Develop a plan to safely serve food, beverages, and merchandise, if applicable. Refer to CDC's COVID-19		if a 6-foot distance between attendees is hard to ensure.
	considerations for <u>restaurants and bars</u> for guidance.  Other:	$\checkmark$	Develop a plan to reconfigure parking lots, limit congregation points and ensure proper separation (e.g., closing every other space).
		<b>✓</b>	Purchase adequate supplies to minimize sharing of materials, or limit use to one per family or group of individuals at a time, and clean and disinfect between use.
		$\checkmark$	Ensure organizations that share the venue facilities such as food vendors are aware of and follow all safety protocols.
			Other:

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Point Person(s):

	Communication and Messaging
Poir	at Person(s): Louise Gahm
<b>√</b>	Develop a plan to create and disseminate clear messages (e.g., <u>videos</u> ) about behaviors that prevent spread of COVID-19 to staff and attendees before the event:
	<b>✓</b> websites
	✓ email
	✓ social media accounts  other
<b>✓</b>	Create and post signs in highly visible locations that promote everyday protective measures such as wearing cloth face coverings and that describe how to stop the spread of germs in:
	entrances
	dining areas
	✓ restrooms
	other
✓	Develop a plan to communicate with partner organizations such as vendors to ensure that they are aware of all of your COVID-19 safety protocols.
<b>✓</b>	Develop <u>signs and communication</u> (e.g., <u>videos</u> ) in alternative formats (e.g., large print posters, braille, American Sign Language) for people who have limited vision, or are blind, or people who are deaf or hard of hearing.
<b>✓</b>	Consider posting signs for the National Disaster Distress Hotline: call or text 1-800-985-5990; The National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233, TTY 1-800-787-3224; and The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255).
<b>√</b>	Develop regular announcements on reducing the spread of COVID-19 to be broadcast on public address systems.
<b>√</b>	Create a plan for communicating with staff and attendees about whom to contact if they have questions and concerns related to COVID-19.
	Other:

Action Planning—Notes and Next Steps	

Use this space to note any required resources and next steps, or potential barriers and opportunities:

# Events and Gatherings: Preparing for if Someone Gets Sick

Develop a plan to support staff and attendees experiencing trauma or challenges related to

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

COVID-19.

Use	Use the following tool when making initial preparations before the event for it someone gets sick with COVID-19.						
	Before Someone Gets Sick		When Someone Gets Sick		After Someone Gets Sick		
Poir	nt Person(s): Louise Gahm	Poi	nt Person(s): Charles Newman	Poir	nt Person(s): Catherine O'Neal		
<b>✓</b>	Create a plan to educate staff and attendees to ensure they know that they should not come to the event If they become sick with COVID-19 symptoms, test positive for COVID-19, or have been exposed to someone with symptoms or someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Make sure they know that if they get sick at the event, they should notify event planners (e.g., the designated COVID-19 point of contact) right away.		Immediately separate individual(s) with COVID-19 symptoms from others.  Safely transport sick individuals home or to a healthcare facility, depending on how severe their symptoms are.  If calling an ambulance or bringing someone to the hospital, try to call first to alert them that the	<b>✓</b>	In accordance with state and local laws and regulations, notify local health officials, staff, and families of a person with COVID-19 while maintaining the individual's confidentiality in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).  Notify individuals of closures and restrictions put in place due to COVID-19 exposure.		
<b>✓</b>	Develop systems to:  ✓ Allow staff and attendees to self-report to administrators if they have symptoms of COVID-19, a positive test for COVID-19, or were exposed to someone with COVID-19 within the last 14 days.  ✓ Notify individuals of closures and restrictions put in place to limit COVID-19 exposure.		Close off areas used by a sick person and do not use these areas until after cleaning and disinfecting them (for outdoor areas, this includes surfaces or shared objects in the area, if applicable).  Advise sick individuals that they should not return to the venue until they have met CDC's criteria to discontinue home isolation.  Other:	✓	Advise those who have had <u>close contact</u> with a person diagnosed with COVID-19 to stay home, <u>self-monitor for symptoms</u> , and follow <u>CDC guidance</u> if symptoms develop.  Close off the area and wait at least 24 hours before cleaning and disinfecting. If 24 hours is not feasible, wait as long as possible. Make sure of <u>safe and correct</u> use and storage of cleaning and disinfection products, including storing them		
✓	Develop staff policies for returning to the venue after COVID-19 illness. CDC's <u>criteria to discontinue home isolation and quarantine</u> can inform these policies.	Not	tes and Next Steps:		Securely away from children.  Other:		
	Identify and create an isolation room or area to separate anyone who has COVID-19 symptoms or who has tested positive but does not have symptoms.	NO	tes and Next Steps.				
	Develop procedures for safely transporting anyone who is sick to their home or to a healthcare facility.						

# Events and Gatherings: Daily/Weekly Readiness Assessment

Use the following tool the day of and during the event to monitor and maintain healthy behaviors, environments, and operations that reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Policies and Procedures		Facilities and Supplies			Education and Training		
Point Person(s): Charles Newman		Point Person(s): Michelle Gahm			Point Person(s): Toby Haugen		
<b>√</b>	Maintain regular contact with local health authorities to ensure adherence to their most upto-date guidance.	$\checkmark$	Monitor and restock supplies including:  ✓ soap		Ensure that staff and attendees have received communication that they should not come to the event if they become sick		
<b>✓</b>	Ensure an on-duty staff person is assigned to be responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns.		<ul><li>✓ water for hand hygiene</li><li>✓ hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol)</li></ul>		with COVID-19 symptoms, test positive for COVID-19, or have been exposed to someone with symptoms or someone with suspected		
$\checkmark$	Monitor absenteeism of staff.		✓ paper towels		or confirmed COVID-19. Make sure they know that if they get sick at an event, they		
$\checkmark$	Ensure the roster of trained back-up staff is updated in case a staff member is sick.		✓ tissues		should notify event administrators (e.g., the designated COVID-19 point of contact).		
<b>✓</b>	Conduct daily health checks (e.g., temperature screening and/or <u>symptom checking</u> ) of staff and attendees, if feasible.		<ul><li>✓ cleaning supplies</li><li>✓ EPA-approved disinfection supplies</li><li>✓ cloth face coverings</li></ul>		Ensure that staff have reviewed the policies on flexible work and leave that encourage sick staff members to stay at home without fear of job loss or other consequences.		
<b>√</b>	Ensure staff are using flexible worksites (e.g., telework) and flexible work hours (e.g., staggered shifts) when needed.		<ul> <li>✓ no-touch/foot pedal trash cans</li> <li>✓ no-touch soap/hand sanitizer dispensers</li> </ul>		Reinforce and monitor <u>handwashing</u> with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol		
$\checkmark$	Ensure staff and attendees have received communication about all safety protocols and COVID-19 related policies.		<ul><li>✓ disposable food service items</li><li>✓ gloves</li></ul>		if soap and water are not readily available.  Encourage staff to cover their mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing and sneezing and		
<b>√</b>	Ensure that attendees have received communication about refund policies if they get sick and cannot attend the event.	<b>7</b>	other: Monitor adherence to the schedule for increased,		then wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.		
<b>/</b>	Ensure that all protocols developed, to limit contact between staff and attendees and ensure that attendees can maintain 6 feet of distance, are implemented.	<u></u>	routine cleaning and disinfection of:  ✓ frequently touched surfaces  ✓ communal spaces		Ensure that communication about the proper use of <u>cloth face coverings</u> is easily seen or heard by staff and attendees. Cloth face coverings should <b>not</b> be placed on.		
<b>✓</b>	Ensure limited opportunities for both staff and attendees to share objects.		✓ shared objects ○ other:		<ul> <li>children younger than 2 years old</li> <li>anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious.</li> </ul>		
<b>√</b>	Ensure the broadcasting of regular announcements on reducing the spread of COVID-19 on public address systems throughout the event.		Monitor availability and use of gloves when removing garbage bags or handling and disposing of trash.		anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without help		

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Policies and Procedure	s	Facilities and Supplies	Education and Training
Review the most recent local/sta agency policies for updates.	ate regulatory	Monitor <u>safe and correct use</u> and storage of <u>cleaners</u> and <u>disinfectants</u> , including storing products securely away from children.	Ensure that information on proper use, removal, and washing of cloth face coverings is available.
Other:		Ensure adequate ventilation when cleaners and disinfectants are used to prevent staff and attendees	Ensure that all staff present have been trained on relevant COVID-19 safety protocols.
		from inhaling toxic fumes.  Monitor ventilation systems to determine if they are operating properly.	Other:
		Ensure that touchless payment options are operational.	
		Ensure all physical barriers, such as sneeze guards and partitions, in areas where it is difficult for individuals to remain at least 6 feet apart are installed correctly.	
		Ensure that all physical guides, such as tape on floors and signs on walls, to promote social distancing are easily seen.	
		Ensure that all changes to the venue such as seating layout, entrances and exits are well marked and easy to understand.	
		Ensure the staggered use and cleaning and disinfecting between uses of shared spaces.	
		Ensure the circulation of outdoor air as much as possible throughout the event (e.g., opening windows and doors).	
		Ensure that adequate supplies are available to minimize sharing of high-touch materials and monitor cleaning and disinfecting between use.	
		Other:	

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	Communicatio	on and Mess	saging		
Poir	nt Person(s): Louise Gahm				
<b>✓</b>	Ensure that signs are placed in highly visible locations that promote everyday protective measures such as wearing cloth face coverings and that describe how to stop the spread of germs at:   entrances  dining areas  restrooms  other  other	✓	Make sure all staff and attendees have been informed which staff person is responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns and how to contact them.  Encourage staff to take breaks from watching, reading, or listening to news stories about COVID-19, including social media if they are feeling overwhelmed or distressed throughout the event.  Promote healthy eating, exercising, getting sleep, and finding time to unwind among staff		
<b>V</b>	Continue to provide or update clear messages (e.g., <u>videos</u> ) about behaviors that prevent spread of COVID-19 when communicating with staff and families on:  ✓ websites  ✓ email		to help them cope with stress.  Encourage staff to talk with people they trust about their concerns and how they are feeling.  Other:		
<b>√</b>	Ensure that partner organizations such as vendors have received communication about all COVID-19 safety protocols.				
<b>✓</b>	Ensure <u>signs</u> and <u>communication</u> (e.g., <u>videos</u> ) in alternative formats (e.g., large print posters, braille, American Sign Language) for people who have limited vision or are blind or people who are deaf or hard of hearing are readily available.				

#### Action Planning—Notes and Next Steps

Point Person(s): Pastor Charles Newman

Use this space to note any required resources and next steps, or potential barriers and opportunities:

#### Events and Gatherings: End-of-Day Actions and Other Resources

Use the following resources to conduct end-of-day actions and address any additional considerations specific to your program or community context.

	End-of-Day Actions	Other Considerations				
Poin	t Person(s): Louise Gahm	Point Person(s):				
<b>√</b>	Meet with the emergency operations coordinator and/or planning team(s) to discuss and note lessons learned.	Use this space to note any other considers to your program or community context				
<b>√</b>	Determine ways to improve planning and implementation processes if the event will happen again.					
<b>√</b>	Inform staff and attendees of any changes made.					
<b>√</b>	Update your plans regularly according to the state and local situation and orders.					
	Other:					

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#### Other Resources

#### Point Person(s): Pastor Charles Newman

- · Latest COVID-19 Information
- · Cleaning and Disinfection
- · Guidance for Businesses and Employers
- · Guidance for Schools and Childcare Centers
- Guidance for Park Administrators
- · Shared and Congregate Housing
- COVID-19 Prevention
- · Handwashing Information
- Face Coverings
- · Social Distancing
- COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions
- · People at Higher Risk
- · People with Disabilities
- · Coping with Stress
- HIPAA and COVID-19
- CDC communication resources
- · Community Mitigation