



COVID-19 Health Screening Recommend Practices for Mission Teams

COVID-19 Health Screening Questions for All Team Members

In the last two weeks, have you experienced:

(any positive answers excludes the individual from in-person service)

- Fever or feeling feverish?
- Chills?
- A new cough?
- Shortness of breath?
- A new sore throat?
- New muscle aches?
- New headache?
- New loss of smell or taste
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea?
- Have you been exposed to someone with a confirmed case of COVID-19?

Transportation

Mandatory equipment for all vehicles

- Hand Sanitizer
- Tissues
- N95 masks which must be worn by all occupants at all times

Ensure vehicles have been disinfected prior to and following each use.

Pay close attention to frequently touched surfaces like door handles, steering wheels, ignition, operating buttons, seat buckles, keys, etc. Wear disposable gloves when cleaning and only use them once. Disinfectants should be EPA-registered antimicrobial, diluted household bleach according to manufacturer instructions, or alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol.

Carry hand sanitizer and tissues in all vehicles

Consider having appropriate disinfecting tools on hand including cleaning and disinfectant spray, or disposable wipes and a small trash bag for each vehicle.

Wash your hands before and after entering the vehicle with soap and water for at least 30 seconds.

Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available. Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands. Specifically avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.



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Transportation for Mission Teams

Transportation for your Mission Team is impacted by COVID-19

Carpooling is discouraged for individuals who are not living together. Allow carpooling only when no other alternative exists.

In cars, vans and busses we need to practice social distancing. Passengers should sit as far from each other as possible in the vehicle. On a bus this translates to one person per seat and skipping rows effectively reducing the capacity of the van bus.

Maximize air circulation within the vehicle. Avoid the use of air conditioning by rolling down the windows.

No one should be in a carpool, van or bus who is exhibiting any symptoms associated with COVID-19.

All passengers must adhere to all guidance on hygiene including the use of non-medical masks (or better) at all times

Debris Management, Muck & Gut, Tarping & Boarding

Debris management, mucking and gutting a home, and tarping & boarding a home are low to medium risk activities and TXCDR recommends:

Hand Hygiene – wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using an alcohol-based sanitizer to prevent infections.

Physical Distancing - stand at least 6 feet away from others whenever possible.

Cleaning and Disinfecting Surfaces - disinfect surfaces that people routinely touch. Wipe down any common areas or surfaces (break rooms, sink in the bathroom, etc.) with disinfectant after each use.

N95 masks (preferred) – participants are required to wear at least a non-medical face covering.

Gloves - disposable gloves when your hands may touch some potentially contaminated items.



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Mission Teams and High-Risk individuals

High Risk Individuals (Team and Clients)

Older age (65+), lung problems, heart disease, diabetes and obesity, cancer and certain blood disorders, weakened immune system, chronic kidney or liver disease.

All mission team members should be prepared to quarantine following the mission trip should it be determined that they were potentially exposed to COVID-19

Hygiene

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

Throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands.

Wash your hands

1. Immediately upon arriving to a location
2. Before departing from a location
3. Before, during, and after eating or preparing food.
4. Before and after caring for someone who is sick.
5. After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet
6. Before and after treating a cut or wound.
7. After using the toilet
8. After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
9. After handling pet food/treats or touching an animal or animal waste
10. After touching garbage



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Post-Trip Protocols

Upon Returning Home

Disrobe immediately (in the backyard, garage, etc.) and place clothes in a trash bag to transfer to the washer.

Sanitize vehicle

Wash clothes in hot water/high heat and dry clothes in high heat.

Wash hands

Take a shower

Welfare Check by the Team Leader(s)

Check-in with all members of the mission team after your trip and confirm that everyone remains healthy.

Quarantine if necessary.