

Purpose:

COVID 19 Awareness and Information to help prevent the spread of the virus in our meetings.

Recently we have experienced an outburst of COVID 19 infections in our meetings. This draws great concern to our fellowship and what effects it may have on our members and meeting facilities.

Intent:

To address this issue, the Public Relations Regional Subcommittee would like to provide some pertinent information to our Areas and Members which we believe will assist in making our “in-person” meetings safer to attend. To remind groups and members of the importance of respecting the COVID 19 protocols when attending in-person meetings.

Facts:

1. It's been reported cases in the past 2 weeks of positive test results for the COVID 19 virus by our members after attendance at in-person meetings.
2. It's been reported cases in the past 2 weeks of positive test results for the COVID 19 virus by our members after attendance at in-person speakers' jams and other large gatherings.
3. It's been reported that a meeting has been forced to leave a facility for not following COVID 19 protocol.
4. Reportedly, groups have not consistently upheld COVID 19 protocols before, during, and after meetings. To include:
 - a. Sanitizing (facility, providing sanitizer).
 - b. Enforcement of wearing of Mask (providing mask).
 - c. Social distancing practices (Closing meetings in a circle, moving chairs, excessive hugging).

- d. Serving drinks and food in a manner that everyone can touch the same containers / silverware.
- e. Exceeding meeting capacity levels (facility policy, group policy, etc.).
- f. Not requiring members to complete a COVID 19 questionnaire before entering a meeting (Contact Tracing).

Recommended COVID 19 Questionnaires:

Question No. 1

Have you been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 10 days?

YES _____ No _____

Response if “Yes”

You must not attend an in-person meeting at this time. Attend meetings virtually.

Question No. 2

In the last 2 weeks, did you care for or have close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19?

YES _____ No _____

Response if “Yes”

You must not attend an in-person meeting at this time. Attend meetings virtually.

Question No. 3

In the past 24 hours have you experienced an onset of any of the following symptoms from an unknown source?

New or worsening cough

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

New loss of taste or smell

Response if “Yes” to any one of these symptoms

You must not attend an in-person meeting at this time. Attend meetings virtually.

Question No. 4

In the past 24 hours have you experienced a new onset of any of the following symptoms from an unknown source?

Fever

Chills

Fatigue

Muscle or body aches

Headache

Sore throat

Congestion or runny nose

Nausea or vomiting

Diarrhea

Response if “Yes” to any “two” of these symptoms

You must not attend an in-person meeting at this time. Attend meetings virtually.

Home Group:

Location:

Date:

Name	Phone Number	Have you tested positive for Covid 19 in the past 10 Days?	Yes	No	Have you displayed any Flu like symptoms in the past 10 Days? fever, cough, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, loss of taste or smell.	Yes	No
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NA World Website (Re-opening Meeting Guide)

https://www.na.org/admin/include/spaw2/uploads/pdf/Guidebook_to_Return_of_In-Person_Meetings.pdf

City Philadelphia COVID 19 - Website

<https://www.phila.gov/programs/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/>

City of Philadelphia - Website (Frequently asked Questions)

<https://www.phila.gov/programs/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/fag/#about-covid-19>

City of Philadelphia - Website (Latest News and Developments)

<https://www.phila.gov/programs/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/updates/the-latest-news/>