Denver Fire Department

Incident Action Plan



Incident Name	COVID-19 - DFD
Incident Type	Pandemic
Incident Location	Denver
Incident Commander	Deputy Chief Desmond Fulton
Operational Period Begin	March 18, 2020 0700 MST
Operational Period End	March 19, 2020 0700 MST
Operations Period Number	5

INCID	ENT OBJECTIVE	S (ICS 202)	
1. Incident Name: COVID - 19 DFD	2. Operational Period:	Date From: 3/18/2 Time From: 0700	0 Date To: 3/19/20 Time To: 0700
3. Objective(s): 1. Provide for protection from current and future	e risks of exposure to all De	partment uniform and	non-uniform personnel.
2. Provide the most current treatment and isolate personnel.	ion/quarantine procedures f	or potentially exposed	l uniform and non-uniform
 Review, revise and strengthen Level 1, 2 and Maintain communication with City and Coun Ensure timely internal distribution of accurate 	ity leadership for current sit	uation status, objective	es, and direction.
Objective 1: Key I	Messaging For Wed	Inesday, March	18, 2020
 Effective immediately any and exception of the following: Dispatched calls Official Department but Approved Department 	siness	the firehouses a	re to be <u>stopped</u> with the
Grocery shopping for financialRigs will continueOnly 1 member	rehouse meals adhe le to go will depart the rig to	do the shopping	<mark>ing:</mark>
3. All other member	ers will remain with th	ie rig.	
4. Operational Period Command Emphas	is:		
 Ensure critical PPE is distributed to all fire Ensure timely distribution of the IAP and e Maintain established daily meeting sched Evaluate the potential and logistics for pre 	guidance documents to a ule and transfer of inform	all uniform and non-u nation.	ıniform personnel daily.
family members at home. 5. Refer all external requests to PIO Captain	,	·	
6. Make resources available to the members	•	• •	•
General Situational Awareness			
The Fire Department's Command Staff will of leadership and the Denver Department of P on the potential escalation of the event.			
7. Prepared by: Name: J. Krugman	Position/Title: PSC	Sig	gnature:
8. Approved by Incident Commander: Na	ame: Desmond Fu	elton Signatur	- Hontuh

Date/Time: _

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Objective 1 Key Messaging As of Wednesday, March 18, 2020

March 17, 2020

Effective Immediately: On all medical calls that require a 6-foot distance breach, only one member will approach the patient with mandatory respiratory PPE of N-95, P-100, or SCBA on air.

EXCEPTION: If patient requires life-saving interventions, all members within the 6-foot breach are required to wear the above noted PPE as a minimum.

<u>Dispatch will no longer be identifying Code19C calls</u>. Dispatch will now only be asking the following questions in ProQA:

- Has the caller had a cough or fever in the last week (7 days)?
 - | /SYMY, translates to >>>>SYMPTOMS YES: followed by cough or fever or both
 - /SYMN, translates to >>>>SYMPTOMS NO

March 17, 2020

- A. All Fire Prevention inspections with the following exceptions are suspended indefinitely:
 - a. DEN inspections
 - b. Life Safety.
 - c. TCO/CO and Acceptance Testing
- B. Special Detail Program suspended
- C. Fire watch by uniformed FP personnel is suspended. Businesses will utilize Licensed and Insured personnel or on-site personnel
- D. Training Class 2020-1 will be on-line delivery only until March 30, 2020
- E. Training Class 2020-2 will be on a split schedule, with one morning and one afternoon class until further notice.

March 16, 2020

- A. No outside visitors including friends and family members are permitted in any firehouse or DFD facility or on or in any apparatus until further notice.
- B. Firehouse personnel will avoid all external public interaction to minimize the potential for exposure.

March 13-16, 2020

- A. Per City guidance, the Denver Fire Department is canceling community outreach to include fire trucks at community events, fire station tours, fire safety talks, safety trailers, and department ride-alongs until further notice.
- B. Effective immediately, all DFD Career Service personnel will be working within a modified schedule at the discretion of their Division through 3/27/2020. We will work to assure there are no work interruptions as the Department progresses though the event. All employees will retain access to e-mail and phone for communication.

ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT LIST (ICS 203)

COVID-19		2. Operatio	Time From: 0700 Time To: 0700 Time To: 0700		
3. Incident Comma	Incident Commander(s) and Command 5		7. Operations Sec	tion:	
IC/UCs	Fulton, Desmond		Chief	Murphy, Robert	
	·		Deputy		
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Deputy	Nuanes, Ryan				
	Buccieri, Scott/Miccio, Meli	issa	Branch	Operations	
	Pixley, Greg		Branch Director	Shift Commanders	Land Side
	Lara, Adriana		Deputy		
	ation Representatives	•	Division/Group	Ryan Nuanes	Cadets
Agency/Organization	Name		Division/Group		
			Branch	DEN	
			Branch Director	Bray, Russ	Air Side
			Deputy		
5. Planning Section	n:		Division/Group		
Ch	ief Krugman, Jim/Almag	uer, Manny	Division/Group		
Depu	ıty		Division/Group		
Resources U	nit		Division/Group		
Situation U	nit		Division/Group		
Documentation U	nit Adams, Marissa	Adams, Marissa		EOC	
Demobilization U	nit		Fire Branch	Buccieri, Scott	
Technical Specialis	sts		Fire Branch	Linville, Jeff	
			Fire Branch	Mitchell, Warren	
			Division/Group		
			Division/Group		
6. Logistics Section	n:		Division/Group		
Ch	ief Vigil, Jeremy		Division/Group		
Depu	ıty		Branch	Human Resources	
Support Brand	ch		Career Service	Eberhard, David	
Direct	tor				
Supply U	nit				
Facilities U	nit		8. Finance/Admini	stration Section:	
Ground Support U	nit	:	Chief	Moeder, Wendi	
Service Brand	ch			Cummings, Chanee	
Direct	tor		Time Unit		
Communications U	nit		Procurement Unit		
Medical U	nit		Comp/Claims Unit		
Food U	nit		Cost Unit		/
9. Prepared by: Na	ame: J. Krugman	Position	/Title: PSC	Signature: _	X/
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1. Incident Name:		2. Operat			3.
COVID-19 DFD		Date From: 3/18/20 Date To: 3/19/20			Branch: Land Side
4. Operations Persor	4. Operations Personnel: Name Contact Number(s)				
Operations Section Chief: Murphy, Robert 303.884.6549					Division: Group:
Branch Dire	ctor: Shift (Commande	ers		
Division/Group Superv		Staging Area:			
5. Resources Assign	ed:	•	Si		Reporting Location,
Resource Identifier	Leader		# of Persons	Contact (e.g., phone, pager, radio frequency, etc.)	Special Equipment and Supplies, Remarks, Notes, Information
Haberkorn, C.J.	_		101	303.709.1218	
Kmak, Bob				303.709.1218	
Morelli, Troy			_	303.709.1218	
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Cadets	Ryan Nuan	es		720.324.9468	
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6. Work Assignments			···		
 Monitor day-to- day primary functions of the Operations Division Assure critical PPE and procedures for potential COVID-19 patients is distributed and followed Begin assessment of Contingency Plan activation trigger points as it relates to station closures. Assign Cadets as needed to support the Operations Division and EOC. 					
7. Special Instruction	s:				
Effective immediately any and all activities outside the firehouses are to be stopped with the exception of the following: Dispatched calls Official business Planned training Grocery shopping for firehouse meals adhering to the following: Rigs will continue to go Only 1 member will depart the rig to do the shopping All other members will remain with the rig.					
8. Communications (IN)	adio and/or			nbers needed for this assignment): entact: indicate cell, pager, or radio (fi	requency/system/channel)
9. Prepared by: Name	e: J Krugma	.n	_ Posit	ion/Title: PSCSignat	ure:/
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1. Incident Name:		2. Operat			3.
COVID-19 DFD		Date From			Branch: Air Side
4. Operations Personn	nel: <u>Name</u>			Contact Number(s)	Division:
Operations Section Chi	ief: Murpl	ny, Robert		303.884.6549	Division.
Branch Direct	or: Brow	Buco		202.044.4005	Group:
		Kuss		303.944.4005	Staging Area:
Division/Group Supervis			<u> </u>		
5. Resources Assigned Resource Identifier	d: Leader		# of Persons	Contact (e.g., phone, pager, radio frequency, etc.)	Reporting Location, Special Equipment and Supplies, Remarks, Notes, Information
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 Monitor day-to- day primary functions of DEN Assure critical PPE and procedures for potential COVID-19 patients is distributed and followed if needed. Provide status and updates related to COVID-19 at DEN to the Operations Section Chief and C&GS. 					
7. Special Instructions	9 9				
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COVID-19 DFD		Date Fron Time Fron			Branch: EOC Fire
4. Operations Persor	4. Operations Personnel: Name Contact Number(s)				
Operations Section C	hief: Murpi	hy, Robert		303.884.6549	Group:
Branch Dire	ctor:				C4i A
Division/Group Super	visor:				Staging Area:
5. Resources Assign	ed:		ડા		Reporting Location,
Resource Identifier	Leader		# of Persons	Contact (e.g., phone, pager, radio frequency, etc.)	Special Equipment and Supplies, Remarks, Notes, Information
Linville, Jeff				303.667.3232	EOC
Buccieri, Scott				720.232.0187	EOC
Mitchell, Warren				720.220.4436	EOC
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6. Work Assignments	s:				
Schedule:					
Monday – Thu	ırsday: Jeff	Linville			
Friday: Scott Buccieri					
 Swing: Warre 	n Mitchell				
Serve as conduit betw	een the EO	C and Com	mand ar	nd General Staff on issues related to p	ourchasing, finance, 911,
and resource mobiliza	tion if neede	d.		·	
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		Time From	1. 0700	Time 10, 0700	Human Resources
4. Operations Persor	nnel: <u>Name</u>			Contact Number(s)	Division:
Operations Section C	hief: Murpl	hy, Robert		303.884.6549	Division.
Branch Direc	ctor: David	Eberhard		720.607.5878 (c)	Group:
				720.913.3408 (w)	Staging Area:
5. Resources Assign	ed:		JS	-	Reporting Location,
Resource Identifier	Leader	UK.	# of Persons	Contact (e.g., phone, pager, radio frequency, etc.)	Special Equipment and Supplies, Remarks, Notes, Information
6. Work Assignments	s:				

- Serve as the conduit for the Career Service employees to the C&GS on issues related to modified work schedules, work-at-home, technology needs, pay, and other HR related topics.
- 7. Special Instructions: Technology Bulletins concerning work from home:
 - DFD Modified work schedules will be extended through 4/3/2020, Plan to start phasing back to a normal work schedule effective 4/6/2020. Please keep in communication with your chain of command for any questions
 - MALWARE AWARENESS: Please use credible sources when searching for information concerning COVID-19 such as: CDC, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), Denver department of Public Health and Environment (DDPHE). Scammers are putting out false sites and information that is compromising city systems!

Please contact Division Chief Vigil regarding access to desk top computers for performing official work at home.

During this time of work from home the following should be adhered to:

- 1. Employees must read and respond to emails as they would if they were in the office.
- 2. Employees are still expected to attend scheduled meetings, whether via phone or Skype
- 3. Daily update to immediate supervisor of completed tasks, issues and barriers to task completion provided via email
- Any deviation from normal work schedule should be pre-approved by immediate supervisor
- 5. Any time unavailable to perform work duties during normal business hours should be documented as PTO/VAC just as if you were missing time in the office

9. Prepared by: Name	: J.Krugman	Position/Title: PSC	Signature:	_
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MEDICAL PLAN (ICS 206)

1. Incident Nam COVID -19 DFD	e:		2. Operational F	Period:	Date From: Time From:		Date To: 03 Fime To: 03	
3. Medical Aid S	Stations:					0700		700
Name			ontact		Paramedics			
Name			Location		Number(s	s)/Frequency		Site?
							Yes	
							Yes	
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							Yes	
4 Transportation	- /indianta	-i					Yes	No No
4. Transportation	n (indicate	air or ground):		_		ontact		
Ambulance S	ervice		Location		1	s)/Frequency	Level of	f Service
Denver Heath Pa	ramedics	777 Bannock St	Denver		(303) 602-2	566	XALS	BLS
Northglenn Ambu	lance	5650 Holly St Co	mmerce City		(303) 451-6	882	XALS	BLS
Action Care Amb	ulance	14854 E Hinsdal	e Ave Centennial		(720) 870-4	700	XALS	BLS
South Metro Fire	Rescue	9195 E Mineral A	ve Centennial		(720) 989-2	000	X ALS	BLS
5. Hospitals:					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· .	•	
		ddress,	Contact	Тга	vel Time			
Hospital Name		e & Longitude Helipad	Number(s)/ Frequency	Air	Ground	Trauma Center	Burn Center	Helipad
Denver Health	777 Bann Denver	ock St	(303) 602-2566			∑Yes Level: 1	☐ Yes ※ No	X Yes
Swedish	601 E Hai Englewoo		(303) 788-5000			∑Yes Level: 1	⊠Yes No	X Yes
Saint Josephs	1375 E 19 Denver	th Ave	(303) 812-2000			∑Yes Level: 4	Yes X No	∑ Yes No
UC Health	12605 E 1 Denver	6th Ave	(720) 848-0000			Yes Level: 1	X Yes No	X Yes
Childrens Hospital	13123 E 1 Denver	6th Ave	(720) 777-1234			∑Yes Level:_1	X Yes	X Yes
6. Special Medical Emergency Procedures:								
Denver Department of Public Health and Environment (DDPHE) 720-913-1311								
Please see COVID-19 Non-Transport Protocol in Addendum.								
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Check box if aviation assets are utilized for rescue. If assets are used, coordinate with Air Operations.								
7. Prepared by (Medical Ur	nit Leader): Name	e: Melissa Miccio		Signa	ature:	XX	
8. Approved by	(Safety Off	icer): Name:			Signatur	e:		
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Finance/Admin Section Chief Moeder/Cummings Date/Time: **Logistics Section** Jeremy Vigil **Public Information Officer** Date To: 3/19/2020 Time To: 0700 Safety/Medical Officers Chief Scott Buccleri Melissa Miccio Liaison Officer Adriana Lara **Greg Pixley** Documentation UL Marissa Adams Planning Section Krugman/Almaguer Signature: 2. Operational Period: Date From: 3/18/2020 Time From: 0700 Incident Commander(s) Position/Title PSC Desmond Fulton Ryan Nuanes **Human Resources** Branch David Eberhard 4. Prepared by: Name: J. Krugman EOC Branch Jeff Linville Scott Buccieri Warren Mitchell **Operations Section** Robert Murphy Air Side Branch Russ Bray 1. Incident Name: COVID-19 DFD IAP Page _8__ 3. Organization Chart Land Side Branch Shift Commanders **ICS 207**

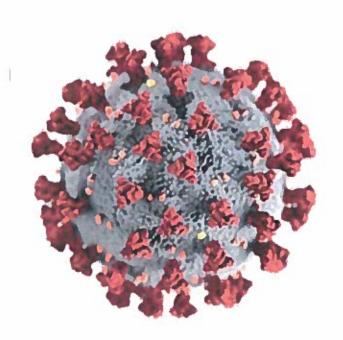
INCIDENT ORGANIZATION CHART (ICS 207)

SAFETY MESSAGE/PLAN (ICS 208)

1. Incident Name: COVID-19 DFD	2. Operational Period:	Date From: 3/18/20 Time From: 0700	Date To: 3/19/20 Time To: 0700
3. Safety Message/Expanded Safety	essage, Safety Plan, S	ite Safety Plan:	
 <u>Dispatch will no longer be utilizir</u> question in ProQA: Has the caller had a cougle /SYMY = SYMPTOMS - YIMPTOMS - NOW - SYMPTOMS - NOW - SYMPTOMS - NOW - N	h or fever in the last v ES: followed by cough	veek (7 days)?	ng the following
 Be extremely vigilant if a patient cough, shortness of breath and treat patients as potentially ex Have you traveled recen Do you have respiratory Do you have a fever? 	presents with signs of breathing difficulties. Coposed until the follow tly?	o not solely rely on	dispatch information;
 If there is a possibility of a COVI ALS unit to determine the best a indications of possible immediat thought out approach to deal will 	approach/action to deal e life-threatening event	with the patient, unless occurring. Maintain a	s crews have
 Take the time to donn the approgowns, gloves, and eye protection Ziplock bag (or biobag) and delivered 	on. <u>Do not</u> throw away	/ N-95 masks after use	e rather place them in a
 Do not bring the ESO tablets intended, leave all medical bags; 			edical interventions are
 Minimize the number of DFD me feet of distance from the patient exposure. 	embers treating the pat . Either hand or toss a	ient (1 instead of 4) an surgical mask to the p	nd maintain at least 6 patient to minimize
 For suspected COVID-19 patien is presenting hypoxic. If a non-r 			
 Consider contacting the patient to limit exposure while asking qu 		ne rig. This provides a	n additional opportunity
Please refer to the IAP Adden	dum for additional CC	OVID-19 information a	and procedures.
4. Site Safety Plan Required? Yes No	X		
Approved Site Safety Plan(s) Located			
5. Prepared by: Name: J. Krugman ICS 208 IAP Page 9	Position/Title: PSC Date/Time:	Signatur	e:
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Communications Plan Addendum to IAP



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DFD IAP Addendum Documents

(as of March 17, 2020)

- 1. Press Release Mayor Hancock Denver COVID-19 Update (New 3/16/2020)
- 2. Denver Fire Department Personnel Guidance COVID 19 Response
- 3. COVID-19 Non-Transport Protocol (New 3/16/2020)
- 4. COVID-19 Symptoms Decision Tree
- 5. CCD Risk Assessment and Public Health Decision Making Tree
- 6. DFD Behavioral Health Resources (New 3/17/2020)

From: JIC_Manager < JIC_Manager@denvergov.org>

Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 2:00 PM

To: Esquilin-Garcia, Loa A. - OEM Marketing and Communications Prof

Subject: Press Release - CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE



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Denver, CO 80202
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CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE

Denver – Mayor Michael B. Hancock today announced important updates to the City and County of Denver's response to COVID-19. The order also includes the closure of all restaurants and bars, except airport concessioners, to onsite seating, effective 8 a.m. on Tuesday, March 17, for eight weeks until May 11. Delivery, carry-out and drive-through services are still permitted and encouraged. The Denver Department of Public Health & Environment will continuously monitor the situation.

The amended order with new closure periods covers all previous <u>closure announcements</u> the city has made to this point, and may change in the future.

"We know these increased measures have an impact on people's day-to-day lives, and our local businesses are being hit hard, but these are steps we must take in order to do our part to reduce people's exposure to this virus," Mayor Hancock said. "With these increased measures, our primary focus remains on supporting the vulnerable populations who will be most affected, and the service providers who are working overtime to help them right now."

To support neighbors experiencing homelessness, Denver is working through existing partnerships with community-based service providers, communicating daily with partners providing overnight shelter, day shelter, street outreach, permanent supportive housing, harm reduction, and caring for other basic needs like food, showers, and laundry. These partners need volunteers, supplies, and donations – and especially personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies.

Residents who are young, healthy and showing no signs or symptoms of the virus can assist providers, both large and small, as volunteers to help prepare meals, distribute supplies, and help keep our shelter facilities clean and safe for our guests and workers. The City and County of Denver has partnered with Mile High United Way to make it easy to help. Visit unitedwaydenver.org/COVID-relief.

Not everyone is able to volunteer in person, so a donation account is already established to accept donations to help our shelters and other service providers purchase much-needed supplies. Just visit https://secure.donationpay.org/milehighunitedway/HHSF.php and our partners at the Mile High United Way will take it from there. No matter how you contribute, the community is grateful for your support.

Residents who wish to donate cleaning supplies or masks can drop them off at La Alma Lincoln Park (880 Newport St) and Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Centers (1325 W. 11th Ave.) from 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The city is working on multiple options to ensure that everyone has someplace safe and clean to go to, including the city's existing real estate inventory and other available facilities to ensure enough space for supplemental shelter and activated respite care.

Denver has installed handwashing stations throughout the city, distributed maps of their locations. The Wellness Winnie continues to distribute wellness kits and behavioral health support.

Denver is also partnering with Denver Public Schools to ensure youth 18 and under continue to receive food assistance while schools are closed. DPS will offer free, grab-and-go-style breakfast and lunch to students at 11 school locations throughout the city. Dinners will be served in a similar fashion at 18 recreation centers throughout the city. Meal service begins today and will continue through Friday, April 3. For times and locations, visit the DPS website: www.dpsk12.org. Anyone in need of food assistance benefits through the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) can apply through colorado.gov/peak.

To further protect the public health and safety of the community, and to help limit the spread of COVID-19, Denver's motor vehicle branches will be closed to the public beginning Monday, March 16 until further notice. This will provide a grace period for expired vehicle registrations and for newly purchased vehicles that have not yet been registered through April 9, 2020 while the Governor's State of Emergency declaration is in effect. Residents are urged to use online motor vehicle services available at www.denvergov.org/dmv.

The Denver Sheriff Department will temporarily redeploying sheriff deputies away from evictions to other areas of need within the department. The department, in partnership with the county courts and to increase social distancing in our jails, will also not book certain low-level, non-violent arrestees into the jails.

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Denver Fire Department Personnel Guidance Response to Potential Cases of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19 - DFD)

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. Patients with COVID-19 have had mild to severe respiratory illness. The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person via <u>respiratory droplets</u> among close contacts. Respiratory droplets are produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes and can land in the mouths or noses, or possibly be inhaled into the lungs, of people who are nearby.

For personnel performing **daily routine activities**, the immediate health risk is considered low.

If you encounter an individual who you suspect to have COVID-19 or who self-identifies as having COVID-19, you should first:

- Try to maintain a distance of at least 6 feet, if possible.
- Have them treated and transported by Emergency Medical Service/ambulance to a healthcare facility, if possible.

If you must come into <u>close contact</u> with a suspected COVID-19 case, you MUST wear personal protective equipment (PPE).

 Close contact is defined as being within approximately 6 feet, or Having direct contact with body fluids (e.g., blood, phlegm, or respiratory droplets)

Minimum recommended PPE is:

- A single pair of disposable nitrile gloves,
- Disposable isolation gown or single-use/disposable coveralls¹,
- Any NIOSH-approved particulate respirator which includes N-95 P-100s, or SCBAs.
- Eye protection (i.e., goggles or disposable face shield that fully covers the front and sides of the face)².

¹ If unable to wear a disposable gown or coveralls, ensure all gear is cleaned/disinfected after contact with individual.

² CDC recommends goggles or a face shield. If they are unavailable or interfere with vision, safety glasses with side shields will provide some protection.

Denver Fire Department Personnel Guidance Response to Potential Cases of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19 - DFD)

After close contact:

DECON Procedures for Possible COVID-19 Exposures at the conclusion of a call:

- Prior to getting back on the rig doff mask, safety glasses, gown, and respirator (N95 or P100) with gloves on.
- Place N95 or P100 in a biohazard bag and seal or place in a Ziplock bag.
 These masks will be delivered to the districts Chiefs house for collection and sanitation.
- The doff'd gown and gloves will be disposed of in a bio-hazard receptacle in the ambulance.
- Safety glasses should be cleaned with disinfecting wipes (purple containers)
- Wash hands as soon as possible.
- Wash your face if you touched it with your hands
- If involved in an obvious transmission:
 - o Avoid shaking clothes
 - o Wash your clothes in hot water and dry with heat
 - o Take a shower

Apparatus/Equipment

- Wear gloves while performing de-contamination duties.
- Washdown surfaces with Oxyverse 16 located in firehouse dispensers.
- Another option is to use a bleach solution
 - 1. 20:1 ratio of water to bleach, ¾ cup to one gallon.
 - 2. Bleach solution has a shelf life of 24 hours.

Departing the Firehouse Recommendations

- Take shower
- Wash and leave uniforms at the firehouse if applicable.
- Wear civilian clothing for travel.

Contact the Department Quartermaster for the replacement of all sanitizing supplies. (Do not request from Denver Paramedics)

COVID-19 NON-TRANSPORT PROTOCOL

Purpose

- A. Identify patients that are safe to not transport to a hospital during widespread cases of confirmed COVID-19 patients in order to accomplish the following:
 - a. Minimize disease transmission to the community
 - b. Protect first responders and healthcare personnel
 - c. Preserve healthcare system functioning when the system is overwhelmed.

Indications for Non-Transport

- A. EMS agency Medical Direction has decided to enact non-transport guidelines based on local indications that the healthcare system infrastructure is overwhelmed. This may include, but is not limited to, one of the following circumstances:
 - a. Hospitals are exceeding maximum census
 - b. Hospitals and facilities are experiencing significant overcrowding
 - c. Hospitals and first response agencies have enacted surge plans
 - d. Healthcare providers are unable to obtain required personal protective equipment (PPE) to prevent transmission of disease.

Assessment Algorithm for Non-Transport

Initial Assessment:

- Refer to COVID-19 screening protocol for initial encounter guidance
- Initial assessment should begin from a distance of at least 6 feet from the patient and be limited to one EMS provider if possible.

Inclusion Criteria for Non-Transport:

- Age < 60 years old
- History of fever with symptoms of viral syndrome illness (cough, nasal/chest congestion, sore throat, body aches)
- Vital signs: (or normal for age for pediatric patients)
 - o Respiratory Rate > 8 or < 20
 - o O2 Saturation > 90%
 - Heart Rate < 100 bpm
 - o Systolic BP at least 100
 - o GCS 15
- Absence of shortness of breath with activity, respiratory distress, syncope, cyanosis, diaphoresis, and chest pain other than mild pain with coughing
- Patient has intact decision-making capacity

Yes to all

Non-Transport Disposition:

- · The patient has a support system
- . EMS provides notice to local public health authorities in a
- · Patient should be followed up by local public health authorities, pre-hospital/out-of hospital services, or other health care services
- · Contact medical control if patient refuses non-transport

ability to respond:

Patient guidance for EM5 return precautions depending on system's

Proceed with standard

medical treatment

protocols

No

Severe shortness of breath, confusion or alteration of mental status, syncope, moderate to severe chest pain, inability to tolerate food or liquids, skin cyanosis

CORONAVIRUS

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath, or difficulty breathing
- Symptoms appear 2-14 days after exposure

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- Fever
- Cough
- Muscle aches
- Fatigue & weakness
- Chills & sweats
- Congestion
- Sore throat

ALLERGIES

- Sneezing
- · Itchy nose, eyes or roof of the mouth
- Runny, stuffy nose
- Watery, red or swollen eyes

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Risk Assessment and Public Health Management Definitions

*definitions taken from CCD

Self-monitoring: individual should monitor themselves for fever by taking their temperature twice a day and remain alert for respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath, sore throat). Anyone on self-monitoring should be provided a plan for whom to contact if they develop fever or respiratory symptoms during the self-monitoring period to determine whether medical evaluation is needed.

Active monitoring means that the state or local public health authority assumes responsibility for establishing regular communication with potentially exposed people to assess for the presence of fever or respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath, sore throat). For HCP with high- or medium-risk exposures, CDC recommends this communication occurs at least once each day. The mode of communication can be determined by the state or local public health authority and may include telephone calls or any electronic or internet-based means of communica-

Self-Monitoring with delegated supervision in a healthcare setting means HCP perform self-monitoring with oversight by their healthcare facility's occupational health or infection control program in coordination with the health department of jurisdiction, if both the health department and the facility are in agreement. On days HCP are scheduled to work, healthcare facilities could consider measuring temperature and assessing symptoms prior to starting work. Alternatively, a facility may consider having HCP report temperature and absence of symptoms to occupational health prior to starting work. Modes of communication may include telephone calls or any electronic or internet-based means of communication.

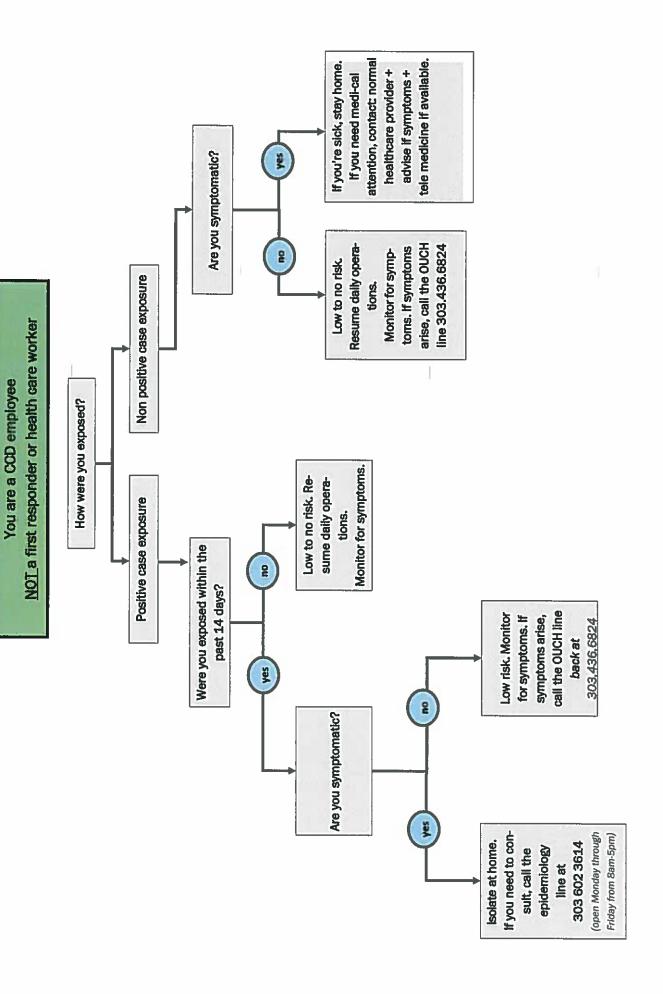
Close contact for healthcare exposures is defined as follows: a) being within approximately 6 feet (2 meters), of a person with COVID-19 for a prolonged period of time (such as caring for or visiting the patient; or sitting within 6 feet of the patient in a healthcare waiting area or room); or b) having unprotected direct contact with infectious secretions or excretions of the patient (e.g., being coughed on, touching used tissues with a bare hand).

Data are limited for definitions of close contact. Factors for consideration include the duration of exposure (e.g., longer exposure time likely increases exposure risk), clinical symptoms of the patient (e.g., coughing likely increases exposure risk) and whether the patient was wearing a facemask (which can efficiently block respiratory secretions from contaminating others and the environment), PPE used by personnel, and whether aerosol-generating procedures were performed.

High-risk exposures refer to individuals who have had prolonged close contact with patients with COVID-19 who were not wearing a facemask while HCP nose and mouth were exposed to material potentially infectious with the virus causing COVID-19. Being present in the room for procedures that generate aerosols or during which respiratory secretions are likely to be poorly controlled (e.g., cardiopulmonary resuscitation, intubation, extubation, bronchoscopy, nebulizer therapy, sputum induction) on patients with COVID-19 when the healthcare providers' eyes, nose, or mouth were not protected, is also considered high-risk.

Medium-risk exposures generally include HCP who had prolonged close contact with patients with COVID-19 who were wearing a facemask while HCP nose and mouth were exposed to material potentially infectious with the virus causing COVID-19. Some low-risk exposures are considered medium-risk depending on the type of care activity performed. For example, HCP who were wearing a gown, gloves, eye protection and a facemask (instead of a respirator) during an aerosol-generating procedure would be considered to have a medium-risk exposure. If an aerosol-generating procedure had not been performed, they would have been considered low-risk. See Table 1 for additional examples.

Low-risk exposures generally refer to brief interactions with patients with COVID-19 or prolonged close contact with patients who were wearing a facemask for source control while HCP were wearing a facemask or respirator. Use of eye protection, in addition to a facemask or respirator would further lower the risk of exposure.





Wellness Resources



DENVER CITY EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ComPsych) (free, 6 sessions per issue)

Phone: 877-327-3854 Website: www.guidanceresources.com (company ID: DENVEREAP)

NICOLETTI-FLATER & ASSOCIATES (public safety industries specialization; free, unlimited sessions)

Appointment Line: 303-989-1617 Crisis Line: 720-675-9502

Website: http://traumathreatandpublicsafetypsychology.com/

DR. KAREN JACKSON (fire services specialization; free, unlimited sessions) Appointment Line: 303-257-0377 Email: kiackson52@msn.com

INSURANCE PROVIDER RESOURCES: (co-pay may apply based on plan)

Kaiser Permanente Behavioral Health

Phone: 303-471-7700 Website: www.kaiserpermanente.org

Denver Health Behavioral Health

Phone: 303-602-2146 Website: www.denverhealth.org

United Healthcare Care 24

Phone: 800-828-1120 Website: www.uhctools.com/services care24

CONFIDENTIAL SUICIDE/CRISIS RESOURCES (external to the City)

24/7 national and local crisis resources:

Colorado Crisis Services/Community Crisis Connection: 844-493-TALK (8255)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255

24/7 resources specifically for Public Safety professionals:

Colorado Emergency Responder Crisis Text Line: Text "BADGE" to 741741

Safe Call Now: 206-459-3020

Cop Line: 1-800-267-5463

PEER SUPPORT

Denver 911

Jodi Marzano

Desk: 720-913-2012

Cell: 303-210-6938

DSD

Cell: (303)-503-7490

DPD

Sergeant Robert Waidler

Desk: 720-913-1373

Cell: 303-435-0702

Roster at: DPD Peer Support

DPD Resiliency Program

Sergeant Robert Waidler Desk: 720-913-1373

Cell: 720-641-1190

DFD

Captain Greg Pixley

Roster at: DFD Peer Support

Major Sonya Gillespie-Carter

Cell: 720-641-1190

Roster at: DSD Peer Support

DSD

Employee Outreach Program (EOP)

Captain Paul Oliva 720-865-0477 Jacob Matthews 720-865-0476

eop@denvergov.org or DSD EOP

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DPD: On-Call Chaplain Phone: 720-641-0791

DSD: Chaplain Jonathan Knott: 303-435-2028