



## **Operating Guidelines for Deep Impact Camps**

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In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the following list of guidelines has been developed to ensure the safest possible experience for all Deep Impact participants, staff, and those in the communities DI serves.

With the above in mind, the following guidelines and procedures are set forth to be implemented at all Deep Impact Missions and DI Kids camps that operate in 2021. These procedures reflect all current state requirements and respect state mandates and recommendations. As the situation surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic improves, these guidelines may be revised.

- I. Staff and Coordinators**
  - a. Screen staff daily for symptoms of COVID-19, using the NCDHHS Questionnaire or something of similar form.
  - b. Isolate sick staff members from all others and continue in that staff member's isolation until all CDC criteria have been met for release.
    1. No fever for at least 72 hours since recovery (without the use of fever-reducing medicine) AND
    2. Other symptoms have improved (e.g., coughing, shortness of breath) AND
    3. At least 10 days have passed since the first symptoms.
  - c. By recommendation of the NCDHHS:
    - i. Take staff temperatures daily. Staff will self-screen.
  
- II. Arrival and Registration**
  - a. Upon arrival, all participants will be screened for body temperature. If anyone in the vehicle is running a fever (body temperature reading of greater than or equal to 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit), the entire vehicle will be turned around.
  - b. Only one student or children's ministry leader will be allowed at the check-in desk at a time. Others should wait with appropriate distance.
  
- III. Lodging**
  - a. Participants will be lodged in rooms containing solely their church, as possible.
  - b. Cleaning supplies will be available for use for every lodging area.

**IV. Meals**

- a. Mealtimes will be staggered as appropriate to allow for appropriate distancing, as necessary.
- b. Feeding teams are trained in safety and health guidelines for serving food and will operate per those guidelines.

**V. Recreational Activities and Free Time**

- a. Recreational activities played indoors that involve the close proximity of participants are permitted with face coverings. (e.g. playing cards at table, especially with people from outside the church group).
- b. Participants should always maintain appropriate distance when playing games together.
- c. Any equipment that is used will be cleaned regularly.

**VI. Mission Projects**

- a. Missions projects at senior adult facilities will not be permitted, except for those that allow for work to be done outdoors and without direct contact with senior adults.
- b. All missions sites must allow for appropriate physical distancing.
- c. If a participant encounters a patron on site who exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, the encounter will be reported to the coordinator immediately, who will report it to the director.
- d. If an individual or group leader becomes uncomfortable with the ability for sanitation on site, it should be reported to the coordinator immediately.
- e. Lunch teams should wash their hands thoroughly and wear gloves when retrieving food and packing lunches. This will be explained in detail at each camp.

**VII. Bathrooms and Showers**

- a. When waiting on an open shower, participants should wait outside of the showering area.
- b. The number of toilets or stalls in a restroom will determine the capacity of that restroom with a ratio of 1:1.

**VIII. Worship and Church Groups**

- a. Worship will be conducted in a large group with space for appropriate distancing.
- b. Face-coverings are required while singing.

**IX. Camp Set-Up and Sanitation Matters**

- a. High-traffic areas will be sanitized regularly.
- b. Sanitizer for hands will be available and provided by DI and DI Kids.

**X. Face Coverings**

- a. In accordance with state mandates and for the well-being of all participants, face coverings are required in the situations listed below.
  - i. In any public place, as mandated by the state of North Carolina.
  - ii. Indoors, when not physically distanced and in any situation listed in prior sections of this guide.
  - iii. When in line at meal times.

**XI. COVID-19 Emergencies**

- a. In the event that a participant begins to exhibit symptoms of COVID-19, the individual will be quarantined immediately and the following steps taken.
  - i. The participant and his or her church group will be asked to return home and be tested. Any positive result is to be reported to the local health department, and DI requests such information for contact tracing purposes.
  - ii. All common areas will be vacated immediately and sanitized thoroughly.
  - iii. All groups will return to their lodging areas and sanitize them, as well.
  - iv. Anyone who the participant may have encountered on his or her mission site will be notified, and the mission project will cease.