Navigating GLAAC’s Regulatory Framework: Four Layers of Regulatory oversight – CDC, State, County, and BSA
POLICIES UNDERLYING OUR REOPENING PROTOCOLS

- Recognizing and protecting vulnerable persons within the Scouting program and the public.
- Adequate PPE and trained staffing to manage effective prevention and mitigation procedures.
- Testing processes for COVID-19, including the ability to test, trace and isolate.
- Developing practical protocols to keep Scout Center and Camp staff, volunteers, and participants safe, including attention to physical distancing and infection control measures.
- Continuous evaluation of protocols with phased-in operations to increase training opportunities for staff and volunteers.
California Orders and Department of Public Health Industry Guides…
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Orders...
San Bernardino County DPH Orders and Guidance...

The following table shows the risk categorization for each workplace or activity:

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San Bernardino County Readiness and Recovery Plan:

Hospitality & Entertainment:

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And Last But Not Least, Boy Scouts of America Webinars and Guidance
Phased-in Camping at GLAACC Properties – Families First

- LACDPH permits Family Camping as of 6/12/2020
1. General Measures

- Establish and continue communication with local and State authorities to determine current disease levels and control measures in your community. For example:
  - Review and refer to, if applicable, the relevant county variance documentation. Documentation can be found here.
  - Consult with your county health officer, or designated staff, who are best positioned to monitor and provide advice on local conditions. A directory can be found here.
  - Regularly review updated guidance from state agencies, including the California Department of Public Health.

- Ensure external community organizations that use the facilities also follow this guidance.

- Develop a plan for the possibility of repeated closures when persons associated with the facility or in the community become ill with COVID-19.

- Be aware of Cal/OSHA requirements to conduct site-specific hazard assessments and develop and implement an effective plan to protect employees.

- The more people a camper or staff member interacts with, and the longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread. The risk of COVID-19 spread increases in youth camp settings as follows:
  - Lowest Risk: Small groups of campers stay together all day, each day. Campers remain at least 6 feet apart and do not share objects. Outdoor activities are prioritized. All campers are from the same local geographic area (e.g., town, city, or county).
  - Highest Risk: Campers mix between groups and do not remain spaced apart. All campers are not from the local geographic area (e.g., town, city, or county).
Seeking Authorization to Open Requires Satisfying Multiple Constituencies

Model COVID-19 At-Risk Statement

- Intended for potential camp participants
- Enables them to make an informed decision as to attend

Key Points
- Revise as needed for your location
- Use this to inform potential participants of your intended mitigation plan
- Higher risk participants should consider not attending this year. If they do attend, they must get approval from health care provider.
Commercial Oversight as Prerequisite to Unit Meetings

- Commercial oversight (day camps) offers direct accountability and cannot disclaim liability.
- Volunteer activities (unit meetings) are subject to high variation in training and knowledge. Limited accountability.
How Can We Prepare for Reopening?

- Complying with Public Health Orders
- Implementing Disease Spread Prevention Strategies
- Educating Our Constituencies
- Training, Training, and More Training
- Monitoring Compliance
BE PREPARED: We all deserve Trained Staff, Leaders and Volunteers

GLAAC will implement the following training protocols for its staff and volunteers related to COVID-19:

- SAFE (Supervision, Assessment, Fitness and Skill, and Environment).
- Require online and mandatory live training for staff.
- Record living training as a training module for volunteers and program participants.
- Require volunteers and program participants to conduct online training.
- Conduct a council-wide reopening webinar on June 23, 2020 where plans and expectations for all Scouting participants will be shared. This webinar will be replicated on a regional basis throughout the summer and fall.
Supervision, Assessment, Fitness and Skill, and Environment

**Supervision**
- Understand local and state guidance on preventing COVID-19 exposure.
- Engage your chartered organization and local council on necessary adjustments.
- Conduct the "before you gather" protocols.

**Assessment**
- Identify participants who fall under the CDC's group of higher-risk individuals.
- Notify all participants about the risks of participating since COVID-19 exposure cannot be eliminated.
- Verify that the planned activity, gathering or group sizes are not prohibited by local or state orders.

**Fitness and Skill**
- Review Annual Health and Medical Records and consider using a pre-event screening for all participants.

**Equipment and Environment**
- Verify that handwashing, hygiene and cleaning supplies are available and used properly.
- Monitor social distancing, interactions and sharing of equipment and food among participants.
- Monitor participants for changing health conditions.
- Use the "as you gather" protocols.

**SAFE ≠ Risk-Free**
As the response to the pandemic shifts to a state-focused, phased approach, the Boy Scouts of America advises local councils to consult with their local and state health departments, as well as local chartered partners, to implement appropriate protocols to help keep our members, volunteers and employees safe. Precarizations and mitigation strategies are important, but they cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness when in-person activities resume. People with COVID-19 may be asymptomatic or display mild symptoms for several days before they begin to feel ill. People who have COVID-19 may also be contagious long before they start to feel ill. Some people may be contagious for several days before they start to feel ill. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have severe underlying medical conditions are at risk for severe illness from COVID-19. If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to resuming in-person Scouting activities.

**Before you gather:**
- Consult your council and chartered organization to understand community standards and protocols in place.
- Communicate to all parents and youth that the Boy Scouts of America recommends that no one in the higher-risk category take part in person. Continue to engage virtually.
- Communicate that anyone who feels sick must stay home. If you become sick or develop symptoms, isolate yourself then go home and seek care.
- Educate and train all participants on appropriate social distancing, cleaning and disinfecting, hand hygiene and respiratory (cough or sneeze) etiquette before moving for the first time. Periodically reinforce the behaviors as needed.
- Before attending, upon arrival and at least daily for longer activities, all participants should be screened for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Chills
  - Repeated shaking with chills
  - Muscle pain
  - Headache
  - Sore throat
  - Loss of taste or smell
  - Diarrhea
  - Fever or chills or a temperature greater than or equal to 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit
  - Known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19
  - As appropriate, participants should have face coverings available to wear when gathering or when in public areas or venues. Several coverings per person may be needed.
- Communicate that those who take part in person should avoid contact with higher-risk individuals for 14 days after the event.

**As you gather:**
- Minimize group sizes. Small groups of participants who stay together all day every day, remain face to face, and do not share objects are at the lowest risk. Think of a dean or patrol that does not mix or gather with other deans or patrols, with supervisors that stays with the small group. Scouting's Barriers to Abuse always apply.
- Stay local to your geographic area and groups for all activities. If you must travel, limit mixing with others along the way.
- Minimize mixing with parents or siblings unless they are part of the unit activity. For example, the same parent picks up and drops off youth, and stays in the car. No guests or visitors who have not been through the pre-gathering protocols and screening should take part.
- Have hand sanitizer. Disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available for use at meetings, activities and campsites.
- Minimize the use of common areas and shared tools. If unavoidable, they should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Develop dining protocols (including but not limited to):
  - No self-serve buffet-style or common water coolers.
  - Use of disposable utensils, cups, plates and flatware.
  - Clean and distinct eating and cooking area after each use.
- Develop testing protocols for the group:
  - Minimize use of fans or devices that stir the air.
  - Campers should sleep head-to-toe in tents or cocoons spaced as far apart as possible.
  - Individual tents, hammocks and bivy sacks may be considered.
- During program activities:
  - Equipment that must be shared should be disinfected before and after each use.
  - Where possible, assign activity-related protective equipment for the duration of an event to a single individual (life jacket, gloves, harness).
  - Effective handwashing before and after each program area use.
- In case of an injury or illness, promptly report the incident, including COVID-19 exposures. Utilize Incident Reporting Resources, including COVID-19 instructions.

**When you get home:**
- Avoid contact with higher-risk individuals for 14 days.
- Monitor for any signs of illness for 14 days, and
- Communicate with your unit leadership if you develop symptoms.

[Restart Scouting Checklist]

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Online and Live Training by GLAAC

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What You Can Do?!?

- Get Informed about Covid-19 and mitigation protocols
- Get Trained!
- Start discussions with your Units on Covid-19 and reopening and in-person meetings/outings
- Have age-appropriate conversations with youths about the need to maintain Covid-19 safety measures at meetings and at home.
- Recognize that different families have different financial and emotional needs.
- Invest in personal and unit PPE, including masks and hand sanitizer
- If we pull together, we reduce the risk of disease spread
How We Can Facilitate Scouting at the Unit Level
Day Camp Reopening Protocols

Implementation requires training and support for staff and adequate consideration of camper and family needs.

Ensure external community organizations that use the facilities also follow this guidance.

Ensure adequate supplies to support healthy hygiene behaviors, including soap, tissues, no-touch trashcans and hand sanitizers with at least 60 percent ethyl alcohol for staff and campers who can safely use hand sanitizer. Employers should provide and ensure staff use face coverings and all required protective equipment.

Teach and reinforce washing hands, avoiding contact with one’s eyes, nose, and mouth, and covering coughs and sneezes among campers and staff.

Teach and reinforce use of cloth face coverings. Cloth face coverings are most essential when physical distancing is not practicable.
Day Camp Reopening Protocols – Event Screening Process

Model Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist

Use this checklist to assist in identifying potentially communicable diseases before event participation. The intent of this checklist is to review with each youth and adult participant their current health status, both before departure and upon arrival at the event. Anyone entering a camp or event — including visitors, vendors, etc. — should be screened using this checklist.

Counselors should consult with input from their council health supervisor and local health department.

Yes / No
Have you been in contact with anyone who has COVID-19 or is otherwise sick?

Yes / No
Have you or anyone you have been in close contact with traveled on a cruise ship, internationally, or to an area with a known communicable disease outbreak in the last 14 days?

If the answer is “yes” to either of these questions, the participant must stay home.

Yes / No
Are you in a high-risk category as defined by the CDC guidelines?

If the answer is “yes” to this question, we recommend that you stay home. If you choose to participate, you must have approval from your healthcare provider and then proceed in the program decision tree below.

If the above answers are “no,” proceed to this symptom decision tree.

Shortness of breath
Fever of 100.4° or greater
Vomiting
Diarrhea

NONE

YES to any ONE symptom

Hypoxemia
Cough
Unexplained extreme fatigue
Muscle aches
Rash
Sore throat
Open sore

YES to any TWO or more symptoms

THE PARTICIPANT MUST STAY HOME

These symptoms are associated with communicable diseases and the participant MUST stay home until medically cleared by their health care provider.

COVID-19 “At-Risk” Camp Participant Statement

MUST BE COMPLETED AND BROUGHT TO CAMP

Name
Unit Type / Number

Your safety and the safety of all our members, volunteers, and employees is the Circle Ten Council’s top priority. While there is still much uncertainty regarding COVID-19, we are monitoring the information provided by health experts and government agencies to help keep safe those who choose to come to camp this summer.

Our council leaders continue to coordinate with state and local health departments to ensure we are informed of and comply with their guidance to mitigate the risks COVID-19 being contracted at camp.

Our mitigation plan includes:

- Pre-attendance education,
- Health screening conducted by your unit prior to travel to our camp, including a temperature check,
- Health screening upon your arrival at camp conducted by our camp health officers, which will also include a temperature check.

- Note: should anyone in the unit not pass the arrival screening, the entire unit will not be allowed to enter camp.

- Limitations on visitors in camp.
- All visitors will be screened upon arrival before entry to camp.
- Hygiene reminders while at camp.
- Extra handwashing/jumper stations throughout camp.
- Dedicated staff to clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared program equipment.
- An emergency response plan that includes an isolation and quarantine protocol should a person at camp develop symptoms of COVID-19 or other communicable disease.
- Check-ins with each unit one week and two weeks after the unit leaves camp to determine if any participants have developed symptoms.

These precautions are important, but these efforts cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Experts have said that people with COVID-19 may show no signs or symptoms of illness, but can still spread the virus, and people may be contagious before their symptoms occur. The fact is that someone with COVID-19 may pass the required health screenings and be allowed into camp.

We also know the very nature of camp makes social distancing difficult in many situations and impossible in others.

Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to attending camp.

Every staff member, volunteer, and scouting family must evaluate their unique circumstances and make an informed decision before attending camp. We hope this information will be helpful as you make that choice.

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Adult
Date
Day Camp Reopening Protocols – Limit intergroup contact

- Consider suspending or modifying use of site resources necessitating sharing or touching items. For example, consider suspending use of drinking fountains and instead encourage the use of reusable water bottles.
- For indoor spaces, introduce fresh outdoor air as much as possible, for example, by opening windows where practicable. When cleaning, air out the space before campers arrive; plan to do thorough cleaning when campers are not present.
- Provide physical guides, such as tape on floors or sidewalks and signs on walls, to ensure that camp staff and campers remain at least 6 feet apart in lines and at other times (e.g., guides for creating “one-way routes” in hallways).
- Campers should remain in the same space and in groups as small and consistent as practicable. Keep the same campers and staff with each group and include campers from the same family in the same group, to the greatest extent practicable.
- No personal carpooling. If transport vehicles (e.g., buses) are used by the camp, drivers should practice all safety actions and protocols as indicated for other staff (e.g., hand hygiene, cloth face coverings, and physical distancing).
Day Camp Reopening Protocols - Meals

- Have campers bring their own meals as feasible, and practice physical distancing when eating or within their smaller group, instead of in a communal dining hall or cafeteria. Ensure the safety of children with food allergies.

- Use disposable food service items (e.g., utensils and plates). If disposable items are not feasible, ensure that all non-disposable food service items are handled with gloves and washed with dish soap and hot water or in a dishwasher. Individuals should wash their hands after removing their gloves or after directly handling used food service items.

- If food is offered at any event, have pre-packaged boxes or bags for each attendee instead of a buffet or family-style meal. Avoid sharing of foods and utensils and ensure the safety of children with food allergies.
Overnight Camping Protocols When Approved

- Amenities, including magazines, coffee, water, self serve stations (unless touchless), and other items for visitors, must be removed from reception areas to help reduce touch points and visitor interactions.

- Encourage visitors to be prepared to bring their own hand sanitizer with at least 60% ethanoyl or 70% isopropyl alcohol for use in these facilities. If provided, make sure portable handwashing stations are maintained and soap, towel, and water supplies are kept full.

- Clean restroom facilities on an accelerated schedule to keep them clean and encourage campers and visitors to use them, thereby avoiding campers rejecting dirty and unsanitary restrooms and using the outdoors instead. Where possible, provide disposable seat covers in restrooms.

- Encourage visitors to pack out what they pack in, wherever possible, to minimize the amount of trash staff must dispose of at the campsite, park, trailhead, or other facility.
Overnight Camping Protocols When Approved

- Operators should monitor areas where people are likely to gather and ensure that physical distancing and other guidelines are followed. Post signs on physical distancing requirements and discourage groups from gathering in larger numbers than are currently recommended or allowed by the local county.

- For facilities that provide paid, controlled outdoor activities, consider implementing a reservation system to limit the number of visitors at the facility.

- Outdoor spaces intended for gatherings and group functions, including pavilions, communal fire rings, public-use camp kitchens, and amphitheaters should remain closed. Remove, separate, post closure signs, or tape-off all benches, common area picnic tables, and multi-person seating (including seating around fire pits) to discourage visitors from congregating. Playgrounds should also remain closed.

- All public events and/or concentrated gatherings, including group bonfires, group campsites, presentations at outdoor amphitheaters, musical or other performances, or other events must be cancelled or postponed.

- Smaller picnic shelters, such as those that typically accommodate only household groups, can remain open with posted physical distancing related restrictions (e.g., limit use to one household at a time).
Den/Patrol Meetings at GLAAC Properties

- Ensures that training and support for staff, volunteers and participants take place. Allows for adequate consideration of volunteer and family needs.
- Ensure external community organizations that use the facilities also follow this guidance.
- Den/Group meetings under the supervision of GLAAC staff ensures proper implementation of COVID-19 safety protocols.
- Avoids conflicts with Charter Organizations on facility usage.
- Opportunity for additional activities along with den/patrol meetings.
- Fee-based model helps offset paid staff supervision and PPE expenses.