## Meetings and Travel Decision Guide

The Boy Scouts of America continues to carefully monitor the rapidly evolving situation with coronavirus COVID-19.

Please know that the safety of our members, volunteers, and employees is our top priority, and all current and future organizational decisions concerning COVID-19 will continue to be made with that commitment in mind.

As is our practice in Scouting, our efforts are focused on preparation and responsiveness informed by the guidance of official health organizations, including <a href="Centers for Disease Control">Centers for Disease Control</a> and <a href="Morld Health Organization">Morld Health Organization</a> so we can minimize the impact of the coronavirus in our communities.

The CDC has posted recommended risk mitigation strategies to help communities identify what actions to take. Based on CDC, the following guide can help you decide how to best proceed by answering the following questions:

- Should I hold the event?
- Should I travel to an event?
- What should I do to mitigate risk at business-critical events?

To access the CDC Community Risk Mitigation Guide directly, please visit <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community-mitigation-strategy.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community-mitigation-strategy.pdf</a>.

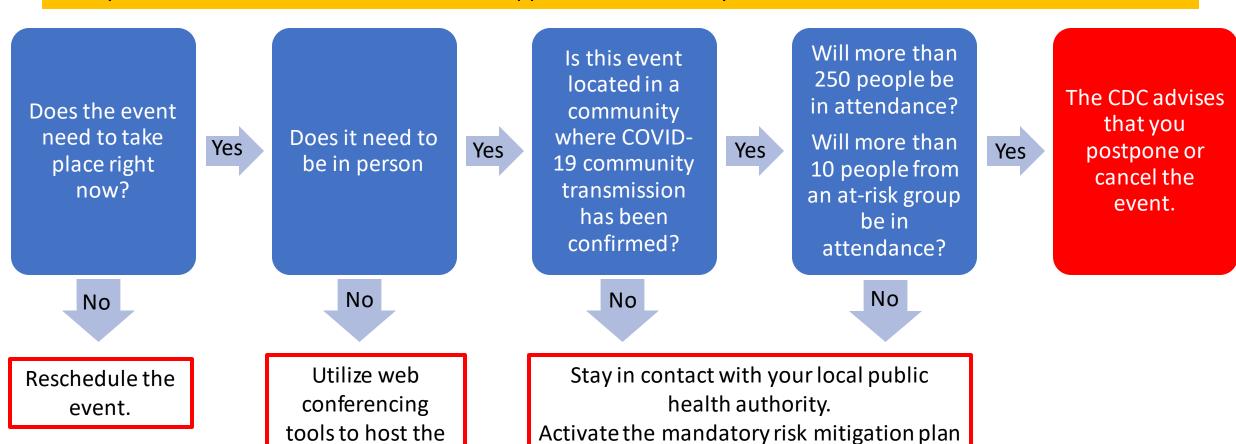


### Should I hold this event/meeting?

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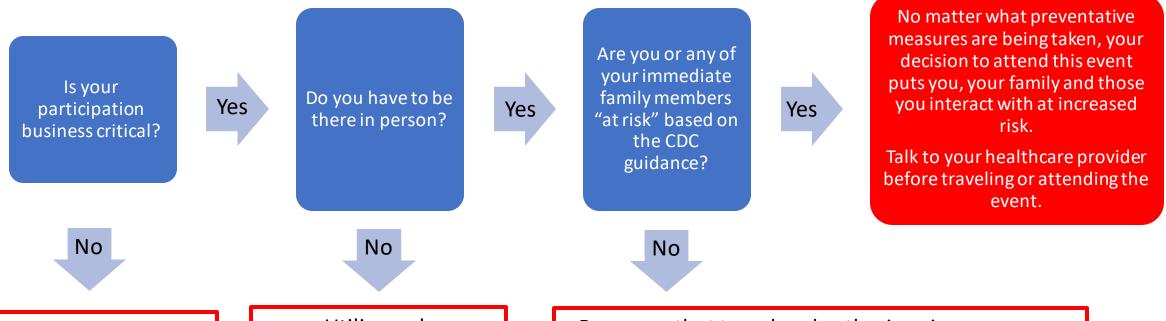


to help offset risk for event attendees.

#### Should I travel to attend a meeting or event?



According to the CDC, at-risk groups are vulnerable seniors (60+ yr. old) and those with significant underlying conditions should stay at home, avoiding events and travel. Significant underlying conditions include heart, lung, kidney disease; diabetes; and conditions that suppress the immune system.



Do **NOT** travel/attend the meeting.

Utilize web conferencing tools to host the event.

Be aware that travel and gatherings increase your risk of contracting COVID-19.

You may be subject to quarantine upon your return.

#### Mandatory Risk Mitigation Plan for Business-Critical Events



RISK MITIGATION			
Pre-Event	Upon Arrival	At the Event	Post Event
Monitor local health conditions with your council health supervisor and local health department.  Prepare to cancel event with ( >250 people, or local health requirement, >10 for high-risk populations) in the event your area confirms community transmission of COVID-19.  Proactively communicate with attendees:  1) The risks of attending the event, particularly for "at-risk" groups.  2) The importance of staying home if you are feeling sick in order to prevent infecting other attendees.  3) Screening measures will be in place upon arrival, which may exclude your participation.	Wellness check upon arrival at event, which may include temperature and respiratory screening. Use Pre-Event Medical Checklist. https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-102_PreEventChklist.pdf	Intermittent temperature and well checks.  Enhanced foodservice: - No food sharing (buffets) - Served only by health-cleared personnel - Practice strict hygiene.  Social distancing, increase physical space between participants with room layouts.	Weekly health check-in with attendees in the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> week after the event.  Ensure attendees know how to report illness if somebody is diagnosed.

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# If you have further questions, please contact health.safety@scouting.org.

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