



Statewide P&R Professionals COVID-19 Coordination Call **Meeting Agenda**

Date: Monday, June 15th
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1) Introduction to Return to Work and Re-Activation Safety Plans **a. Jefri Peters & Fred Ramey – Metro Parks Tacoma**

Jefri Peters and Fred Ramey have teamed up as the appointed safety officers for MPT. They were able to their PowerPoint presentation. This presentation will be shared with the meeting notes as well as posted on the WRPA webpage. It is still being emphasized in Phase I and Phase II for employees to work from home. A full comprehensive plan is one of the required items that agencies must have in place in order to reopen. Jefri and Fred developed a guide plan for individual sections of their agency to follow as they return to work. Each of these locations will need to have a COVID19 site safe supervisor. MPT will be operating by assigning the manager for the day as the site safe supervisor. This is a 7-day a week responsibility. This person will implement social distancing requirements, manage chokepoints, and make sure people are wearing masks. It is paramount that agencies determine how to best reintroducing people who have been out of the workplace for months as they return to work in a new environment. Vivid learning systems is an online platform which has several training options available which organizations can utilize for their internal training packages. External safety training at the zoo begins at the ticketing stage. Visitors can no longer purchase at the gate they must purchase online ahead of time. This online interaction is the first place where users will see regulation changes, safety messaging, and the requirements and guidance of current operations. Social and physical distancing is unique to each site. One-way pathways are a good way to limit interactions and promote safety. As of June 8th, all employers statewide are required to issue masks to employees working within 6 feet of others. It may be

necessary to figure out partial facility openings because of the non-ability to clean/sanitize the whole site appropriately. It is necessary for custodial staff to investigate cleaners which are most effective towards COVID19 sanitation. If a member at the facility tests positive for COVID19 there is a 24-hour waiting period in order to go in and clean the space and then a minimum of 48 hours to reopen the facility.

The Department of Health and the Governor's office have been working very closely on guidance. Daily health screenings are required for employees at the start of their shift at the workplace. If employees feel sick, they are to be sent home and their areas of work are to be coordinated off. In future phases there is a self-health assessment document that each employee must complete, each day, to proceed to work. This will replace the temperature requirement. Return to work logs as well as site sign in logs per day will also be required. It is currently not a requirement for visitors to the space to sign in, it is required for employees to sign in. Signing in to a site is required for employees who will be in the location for more than 15 minutes.

Employee isolation and quarantine procedures will need to be reviewed for employees and worksites as each site, department, and facility reopens. It is important to begin thinking through the possible realities of staff absence and facility closure if exposures begin to happen. MPT created a quick, six-step checklist which can be viewed on a single page and has several checkboxes to determine preparedness very quickly. These six tasks are preparing the worksite, preparing the workforce, controlling access, creating a social distancing plan, reducing touchpoints & increasing cleaning, and communicating for confidence. MPT encourages a close connection with local health departments, creating a communication plan, and creating a return to work taskforce. There are 39 local health districts so there may be variability in standards to some degree. As people return to work there will be shock regarding all the changes, understand these changes may be startling to staff.

2) For Those Agencies within a County in Phase 2 or 3

- a. Have facilities and Programming opened? What difficulties are you experiencing with this? Logistical hurdles?
- b. What has been the public's reaction? Participation levels? Communication?

The City of Pullman is currently dealing with 9 new cases in their county at last count. They plan to start day camps next week with a maximum capacity of 9 kids. They plan to separate/disperse kids in the camps across the 4-hour period of camp. They are seeing strong enrollment in day camps into July. Their adult softball league will begin in early July. They work closely with Moscow, ID through softball leagues. Moscow recently moved to Phase IV so it will be important to coordinate the difference in allowances. Pullman will not open their pool this summer but will begin some aquatics functions in early July. They have not made determinations surrounding their Senior Center operations.

3) For Agencies Planning to Conduct Summer Camps are you Also Offering Specialty Camps, or Camps less than a full day?

- a. Gymnastics, Art camp, Sports, Dance, Lego, etc.

Discussion was raised about sharing the responsibility (or not) of COVID19 plans involving independent contractors. Will park departments assume responsibility as an agency or require the contractors to be responsible for these plans? The City of Enumclaw will require their

leagues to initiate their own plans because they can do that through their districts. Sports camps through high school teams may require some more consideration surrounding this shared responsibility/liability. Further discussion points are listed below:

- Some youth baseball/softball tournaments from the south regions are making facility requests to migrate to our park facilities.
- Spokane Parks will require the contractors to make their own plans.
- Ellensburg will also make the contractors/groups produce their own plans.
- At PenMet Parks are holding trainings for various programming contractors surrounding this topic.
- Some agencies are developing their own safety plans first, and then holding the contractor responsible for a plan which they deem acceptable.
- Further sport guidance may be issued by the Governor's office soon.

4) Group share/Questions for the Group/Roundtable

- The City of Lynnwood is planning to reopen their Recreation Center for lap swimming and therapy pool on Wednesday, June 17th pending a health district waiver. To participate, individuals must sign up for a session. Sessions are limited to 20 individuals.
- Bainbridge Island is looking to relaunch summer programs and open their aquatic center on July 6th. They reopened summer registration last week to good enrollment numbers
- Kitsap County is looking to apply for Phase III by the end of the week.

Announcements:

- The regularly scheduled Monday installation of this meeting will be cancelled moving forward. Meetings will be moved to once a week on Thursdays beginning June 25th.
- WRPA COVID 19 Risk Management Committee