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# COVID-19 PREVENTION PLAN

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District Office Employees and Visitors

A Supporting Document for the CRY-ROP Safety Plan

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# INTRODUCTION

CRY-ROP recognizes the importance of health and safety for employees, students, and visitors to the District Office. This Plan comprises 3 general components to reduce and protect against potential infection of COVID-19.

- I. Workplace Modifications (engineering controls) will layout physical changes to the workplace environment.
- 2. Protocols (administrative controls) will outline practices and procedures.
- 3. Protective Equipment (PPE) will describe using PPE for workplace situations.

The Superintendent, Human Resources Department, Management Team, and Safety Coordinator are responsible for overseeing implementation and monitoring of this plan.

### Off-Campus Personnel

This district safety plan does not supersede or replace plans implemented by CRY-ROP Partner Districts or campuses. Employees based on Partner District campuses or locations other than the CRY-ROP district main site should follow the guidelines and protocols set by their respective district and campus.

# **WORKPLACE MODIFICATIONS**

**Employee Workstations** – Where possible, provide 6 feet of separation between employee workstations.

**Reception Areas, Boardroom, and Conference Rooms** – Occupancy will be based on square footage and State Guidelines. Where possible, arrange seating at least 6 feet apart.

Classrooms and Testing Center – Whenever possible, adjust seating strategically to allow 6 feet of distancing Interior Doors – Wherever possible, prop interior doors open to reduce door handle touching.

**PPE Stations** – Place PPE stations at common exterior entries and/or department entries. Supplies to include nitrile gloves, disposable masks, and hand sanitizer.

**Sanitizing Stations** – Place sanitizer dispensers in common areas. Use touch-free dispensers when possible, but do not forgo placement of hand pump sanitizers if that is what is available.

Information Posting – Place informational signage in highly visible locations and common areas.

**Special Accommodations** - CRY-ROP recognizes there may be members of our staff with elevated risk factors such as heart disease, diabetes, lung diseases, and others. Personnel with concerns relating to their particular risk factors should contact Human Resources to discuss options for additional precautions CRY-ROP can take to insure the safest working environment possible.

**Telecommuting** – Based on current guidelines, CRY-ROP has ceased telecommuting options for staff at this time.

# **PROTOCOLS**

### Hygiene

Simple and consistent hygiene is a great deterrence to exposure for all personnel.

**Handwashing** – Wash hands before and after handling any office materials or equipment, breakroom supplies, or using the restroom.



**Hand Sanitizing** – If handwashing is not reasonably possible, use hand sanitizers as an alternative.

Cleaning/Sanitizing/Disinfection — Nightly janitorial service includes touch surface disinfection of door handles, restroom areas, common areas, and workstation surfaces with a disinfectant solution approved on the EPA List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2. The selected cleaner is Hydrogen Peroxide based and listed as an asthma-safer disinfectant. Personnel should keep desktops clear at the end of the day to assist with disinfection procedures. Facilities will monitor this disinfection to insure a sufficient job.



Touch Surfaces - Throughout the day, personnel may clean

frequently used work surfaces such as keyboards, mice, chair arms, etc. with disinfecting wipes provided in each area. Wipe common work surfaces before and after each use, whenever possible. Facilities will routinely clean shared work surfaces such as printer controls, restroom door handles, and breakroom surfaces and wipe down touch surfaces in CRY-ROP vehicles before and after each use.

### Social Distancing

**Generally** – CDC is not recommending social distancing at this time, however to mitigate exposure whenever possible, distance yourself from others and respect personal space. Mask wearing is a CDC recommendation for personnel regardless of vaccination status.



**Carpools** – Avoid carpooling when possible. When driving together, we recommend wearing a face covering the entire time.

Office Meetings – Whenever possible, meetings between employees should occur remotely via phone, video conferencing, etc. In circumstances where a remote meeting is not possible:

- Implement social distancing where possible.
- Avoid high numbers of attendees when possible.
- CRY-ROP recommends attendees wear face coverings.

**Deliveries** – Personnel meeting deliveries should maintain social distancing when possible. Wear facecoverings and gloves when interacting with drivers and packages. Wash or sanitize hands before and after any interaction.

**Workstation usage** – We recommend personnel to only use their designated workstation and refrain from touching another employee's workstation items like keyboards, mice, monitors, etc. If it is necessary to use another employee's workstation, clean all touch surfaces with disinfecting wipes before and after use.

Supplies Usage – We recommend staff avoiding sharing office supplies such as staplers, pens/pencils, tape, etc.

**Common Area Usage** – Personnel using common areas such as hallways, breakroom, restrooms, Duplication room, and meeting rooms may wear face coverings. Wash/sanitize hands before and after touching anythingin the common areas. Wearing gloves is optional.

### **Vaccinations**

Vaccination against COVID-19 is the most effective means of preventing infection with the COVID-19 virus, and subsequent transmission and outbreaks (California Department of Public Health, 2021). There are multiple resources available to receive vaccinations, including the following:

- Kaiser Permanente: <a href="https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/southern-california/health-wellness/coronavirus-information/vaccine-appointments#check">https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/southern-california/health-wellness/coronavirus-information/vaccine-appointments#check</a>
- County sites: https://sbcovid19.com/vaccine/

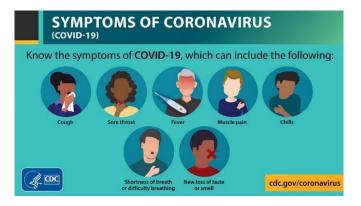
Per the latest Cal-OSHA Emergency Temporary Standard 3205 and California Department of Public Health:

- Recording of vaccination status is no longer required
- Regular testing of unvaccinated personnel is no longer required
- all provisions of this plan are in affect for employees, regardless of vaccination status.

See the resource page at the end of this Plan for links to further information.

### Employees and Visitors to the CRY-ROP Campus

**Self-Monitoring** – Before coming to work, CRY-ROP personnel should insure they are not experiencing any COVID-19 related symptoms. These include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. If any of these symptoms appear, the employee should stay home. The CDC provides an online self-check tool if anyone is unsure of symptoms.



CDC Screening Tool: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

A person that has tested positive with COVID-19 should stay home and follow the exposure control guidelines below, as outlined by CDPH.

If an employee recognizes they are developing COVID-19 symptoms while at work, they should notify their manager immediately. CRY-ROP will enact disinfection protocols for the areas entered or contacted by the affected employee (See *Exposure Control Protocols* section below).

If any employee notices another employee or visitor displaying symptoms consistent with COVID-19, such as those in the graphic below, they should report the concern to their manager or Human Resources. CRY-ROP will act with sensitivity and discretion while investigating any concern.

### **Exposure Control Protocols**

CRY-ROP adheres to CDC, State, and County guidelines for exposure response. Below is a summary of this response:

If an employee or visitor displays symptoms resembling COVID-19, CRY-ROP Management will take steps to prevent further exposure to personnel onsite:

- The symptomatic person will gather any personal belongings and leave the site.
- CRY-ROP will review and disinfect areas of potential exposure. CRY-ROP may close a portion or all of
  the district campus for a duration sufficient to disinfect it. This may include the use of CRY-ROP
  personnel in proper PPE using approved disinfectants or use of janitorial services. Employees may return
  to the disinfected areas once the prescribed treatment is complete.
- Human Resources will investigate the exposure to determine next steps, including requesting the employee/visitor be tested for COVID-19, when appropriate.
- For verified exposures, CRY-ROP will follow the processes outlined in San Bernardino County's *Guidance* For Employers And The Community Regarding Covid-19 Infection And Exposure:

https://wp.sbcounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/41/2020/07/Guidance-for-Employers-and-the-Community-Regarding-COVID-19-Infection-and-Exposure.pdf

### **Exposure Summary Questions**

### WHAT IS AN EXPOSURE?

According to the CDC, exposure occurs:

- When you are in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19. "Close Contact" is defined as closer than 6ft for a cumulative 15 minutes within a 24-hour period
- When a person tests positive for COVID-19, the incubation period starts two days before symptoms or the day of the positive test result, whichever comes first
- You are considered exposed wearing OR not wearing a mask when you were exposed

### WHEN AND IF I SHOULD QUARANTINE AFTER I'M EXPOSED?

Current guidelines for exposure do not require quarantine regardless of vaccination status. The exposed person may request testing at no cost to determine if they are positive for COVID.

### WHAT IF I TEST POSITIVE?

Per current CPDH isolation and quarantine guidelines: Regardless of vaccination status, positive employees can return to work after 5 days if the employee has a negative test, symptoms are improving, and they wear a face covering at work for an additional 5 days. Otherwise most employees can return after 10 days.

## COVID-19 Testing Availability

Employees have several options to obtain COVID-19 testing after a potential exposure or outbreak event.

- 1) CRY-ROP has antigen test kits available on a daily basis. Testing can be requested through HR.
- 2) Kaiser Permanente Testing is available at no cost to Kaiser members. See this link to request a test and review Kaiser's FAQ about testing: <a href="https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/southern-california/health-wellness/coronavirus-information/testing">https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/southern-california/health-wellness/coronavirus-information/testing</a>

3) Community testing sites – There are multiple testing sites available in the region. See the link below for locations and to make an appointment: https://sbcovid19.com/testing-sites/

Testing is currently free through these sites and only requires online registration to receive results.

### **CRY-ROP Related Leaves/Absences**

COVID-19 SUPPLEMENTAL PAID SICK LEAVE Has been extended through December 31, 2022

For more information, <u>click here</u>:

Effective February I, 2022 through December 31, 2022, CRY-ROP has extended leave provisions for employees who are unable to report to work for the specified reason related to the COVID-19 pandemic. To request the listed leave under this provision, employees must contact Human Resources Department via email, <a href="https://humanresources@cry-rop.org">humanresources@cry-rop.org</a>.

### **Training**

All employees should receive documented training and/or instructional material on:

- COVID-19 symptoms
- Proper techniques for handwashing
- Use of PPE gear, including putting on, fitting, removing, and disposal.
- Whom to contact when you are feeling ill or believe someone is displaying symptoms
- Exposure control processes How we respond when a suspected exposure occurs
- Leaves/absences related to COVID-19

Training may be held virtually, on an individual basis using Target Solutions or similar platform, or in-person when necessary, observing proper physically distancing measures.

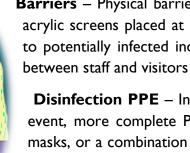
# PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Good hygiene practices in conjunction with social distancing is the most effective method to fight exposureto COVID-19, but some circumstances prevent application of these methods properly. To address those circumstances, the last line of defense is Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). While not meant as a substitute for socially distancing or handwashing, when PPE is properly used, it can make a difference in mitigating exposure.

Masks – Medical masks, such as N95 or surgical masks, can filter some viruses when properly used. Masks should cover the nose and mouth with a snug fit around the face. During Pandemic events, use these types of masks sparingly to allow first responders better access to them. Proper N95 and respirator mask fit must be conducted by trained personnel. These are available to all CRY-ROP employees if requested.

**Face Coverings** – While they do not filter viruses, cloth face coverings capture or reduce velocity of exhaled moisture droplets, which helps reduce potential exposure when coupled with proper social distancing.

Gloves – While handwashing is the most effective method for keeping hands free ofviruses, gloves provide a barrier between potentially infectious materials and the wearer. Use gloves when repeated touching of potential infectious items is unavoidable. Improper use of gloves will provide a false sense of hygiene and provide little benefit



**Barriers** – Physical barriers, such as clear vinyl, Plexiglass, or acrylic screens placed at reception areas will reduce exposure to potentially infected individuals and allow good communication between staff and visitors

**Disinfection PPE** – In certain circumstances, such as disinfection after an exposure event, more complete PPE may be required, including coveralls, face shields, gloves, masks, or a combination of these items. Only personnel responsible for disinfection or interaction with an identified exposure risk will make use of these items. Improper use of PPE items does not protect the user from exposure.

# Requesting PPE

Facilities will routinely check PPE supplies at department stations throughout CRY-ROP and will restock them when necessary. If an employee notices the station supplies (disposable masks, gloves, sanitizer, or wipes) are low, or they require personal workstation items such as sanitizer or wipes, or they request further modification to work areas, such as additional distancing and barriers, they can submit a request through the Work Order system ("Facilities – Move Equipment or Furniture"), or contact Ryan Birk at extension 309, or Roman Moreno at extension 602 for immediate assistance. CRY-ROP will assess additional modifications on a case by case basis.

# Prevention Plan Practices Summary

- Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care.
- Practice social distancing by maintaining a distance of approximately 6 feet from others when possible.
- Frequently wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
  - o Use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- Place used tissues in a waste basket.
- ► Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, such as workstations, keyboards, telephones, handrails, and doorknobs. Dirty surfaces can be cleaned with soap and water prior to disinfection.
- Avoid using other employees' phones, desks, offices, or other work tools and equipment, when possible. If necessary, clean and disinfect them before and after use.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Pursuant to CDC recommendations, wear facial coverings and masks to help prevent the spread of the disease to others; wash or change your mask daily.
- Notify your supervisor if you experience symptoms of acute respiratory illness (i.e., cough, shortness of breath, fever of 100.4°F or higher) so you can be separated from other employees and be sent home immediately.

# **CLOSING**

CRY-ROP developed this Prevention Plan in our effort to reduce transmission of COVID-19 and to protect everyone within the ROP community. This is guidance based on current information about the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) as provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Cal-OSHA, and The County of San Bernardino. These organizations will update their guidance as additional information becomes available and CRY-ROP will adjust this Plan when necessary to comply with that updated guidance.

Thank you for your understanding, cooperation, and help in preventing the spread of COVID-19. CRY-ROP's leadership is committed to providing the best work environment possible for all staff and students and we will continue to monitor the CDC, CDPH, and County of San Bernardino for updates.

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# OTHER RESOURCES

CDC Screening Tool: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

CRY-ROP Health Questionnaire: http://bit.ly/CRYROP2020

California Dept. of Education - Stronger Together <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/documents/strongertogether.pdf">https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/documents/strongertogether.pdf</a>

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