# Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Retreat Group Camp Operators and Staff

# Be advised:

Youth camps may prepare to open and obtain the necessary supplies and equipment in order to follow the below health and safety protocols. At this time, youth camps may open on May 31, 2020. These protocols may be updated based on guidance from the CDC and/or the American Academy of Pediatrics.

To the extent possible, separate guest and staff into groups or cohorts that remains consistent over the weekend session. Discourage mixing between groups or cohorts. Consider programs that operate by groups defined by rooms with dining/activity cohorts that may include single or a group of rooms.

## **Arrival Procedures**

- Groups are not allowed under any circumstance to arrive before 5pm. This allows plenty of time for deep cleaning and sanitizing of all facilities.
- Any Guest arriving before 5pm will be asked to remain in their vehicles until 5pm.

#### Visitors

• All visitors to the camp necessary for camp operations, such as food delivery and repair vendors should maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from other individuals while at camp, and should follow camp protocols for symptom screening and hand washing or sanitization.

## Staff and Volunteers

- Designate a facility on the camp grounds for staff to take a break.
- Develop, train and implement increased daily sanitization protocols for common surfaces, restrooms, dining halls, cabins, recreational equipment, and camp facilities.
- Make hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, soap and water, or similar disinfectant readily available throughout the camp.
- Each group shall have an individual wholly or partially dedicated to ensuring the health protocols adopted by the camp are being successfully implemented and followed.

## Screening

- At least daily while at camp, all staff and guest will be screened for any new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19, including having temperatures taken.
- Ensure access to on-site medical personnel, or on-call physician, for the duration of a retreat session.
- On initial arrival at camp, all guests should undergo a screening supervised by the group's leadership to assess the potential for communicable diseases, to establish a health status baseline, and to identify health problems.

#### **Food Service Rules**

- Groups will be assigned a dining room and a meal time and must strictly adhere to them.
- Tables will be separated 6 feet apart to adhere to social distancing.
- Please have all guest in your group use the provided hand sanitizer when entering and exiting the dining hall.
- All guests will come through the serving line and be served with all disposable dishes. (To include plates, cups, silverware, and napkins.)
- This year there cannot be a salad bar. All fruit and salad will be single served from the serving line.

## **Additional Safety Protocols**

- Consistent with the actions taken by many employers across the state, consider having all staff wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth). If available, staff should consider wearing non-medical grade face masks. (This will be in effect at dining hall, rock wall and zip line.)
- Personal fans should only be pointed at one guest; ceiling fans are permissible.
- Guest should sleep head to toe in upper and lower bunks. Bunk beds should be spaced as far apart as feasible in cabin. Air circulation through open windows and fans is encouraged. Families should only room, one household per room when feasible.
- Guest Leadership should remind all in their group on exit of the enhanced risks of campers being in direct contact with anyone age 65 or older for 14 days after the end of the camp session.