

QUICK SHEET

In-Person Troop Meetings and Activities

Interim COVID-19 Guidance for Troop Leaders

Edition date: 10/1/2020 *This guidance supersedes 8/5/2020 COVID-19 guidance*

GSUSA and GSNI-M have provided COVID-19 safety and health guidance for volunteers. It is important that you continue to monitor local and federal guidelines and the other resources indicated below such as the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#). GSNI-M may, but is not obligated to, modify this guidance, from time to time, in its sole discretion.

Volunteer awareness. As Volunteers, you must acknowledge an understanding that COVID-19 is an extremely contagious virus that spreads easily in the community. Volunteers must take all reasonable precautions to limit potential exposure for girls, themselves and families.

Pre-screening and Symptoms Check. Prior to in-person troop meetings and activities, all participants should complete and submit to Troop Leaders the COVID-19 Informed Consent Form. And, participants must *self-pre-screen* to ensure they are healthy. Have parents attest to completing the [Pre-Screen Questionnaire](#) prior to attendance.

Guidelines:

- ✓ Virtual Meetings
- ✓ Face Coverings/Masks required for all in-person meetings. Girl Scouts wear masks!
- ✓ Outdoor meeting spaces; face coverings and social distancing required; up to 100 in small groups (12 girls + # leaders to meet ratio)
- ✓ With Caution: Indoor meetings in public facilities. NO in home meetings
 - Michigan in groups of 10 (8 girls/2 adults)
 - Indiana in groups of 12 girls plus leaders in pods. No more than 8 pods
- ✓ Create COVID-19 First Aid & Disinfection Kits for:
 - Pre-cleaning meeting spaces
 - Cleaning during meetings
 - Restroom hygiene protocols
 - Post-meeting disinfection of space
- ✓ Individual supply kits for all activities and snacks
- ✓ Create greeting and ending meeting gestures that avoid contact person to person (tapping elbows). No hugs, handshakes, high fives or friendship circle squeeze for the time being
- ✓ No carpooling. Individual parents drop off and pick up their own girls from meetings
- ✓ Day trips & activities in conjunction with Safety Activity Checkpoints and COVID-19 guidelines
- ✓ No overnight trips permitted until further notice
- ✓ Singing: Masks on and greater distance between members
- ✓ First Aid/CPR Trained: Keep skills up to date
- ✓ Report any positive COVID-19 test to frontdesk@gsnim.org or 1-800-283-4812 ext. 2. **Do NOT contact parents or troop members.** A GSNI-M staff member will be responsible for notifying appropriate state officials, parents, facilities and volunteers. Remember, all health information is private and there are laws and regulations governing sharing of health data.

For more information, this quick sheet overview refers to [Interim COVID-19 Guidance Edition 10/1/2020](#).