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Hope all is well?

Quick questions, I was asked by other members. As seen below, can the CPD do this?

From: workforcedevelopment <workforcedevelopment@ChicagoParkDistrict.com>
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Important Communication Regarding Coronavirus Disease 19 (COVID-19)

Good afternoon-

The health and safety of our patrons and employees is paramount. We would like to assure you that the Chicago Park District is working closely with the City of Chicago and the Chicago Department of Public Health on monitoring and response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). We want you to be aware of the City policies and have the necessary information and guidance.

The best way to learn about the latest information is by visiting and bookmarking www.chicago.gov/coronavirus for updates at the state level, and at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus for updates at the national level. These websites are updated frequently as the situation evolves and should be your trusted sources for information.

As we are sure you are aware, COVID-19 continues to spread internationally, and has now been diagnosed in at least 60 countries around the world. There are currently 11 confirmed cases in Illinois. As of today, March 9, the Chicago Park District has not received information suggesting that any patron or employee has contracted COVID-19. At this moment, CDPH reports the immediate risk to the general public in Chicago remains low. **At this time, as an employee of the Chicago Park District, we ask that you self-report travel (since February 15) or future travel plans (through April 30) outside of the state by going to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KDYDPDG8>.** Out of an abundance of caution, international travelers may be asked to stay home up to 14 days, depending upon location and including the [Level 2 and 3 travel locations found at this link](#).

Based on what we have seen, COVID-19 cases most often result in mild illness. To date, children appear less likely to become ill; however, older residents and those who have other health conditions are more likely to have serious illness.

COVID-19 is a respiratory virus that is primarily spread in the same way colds and flu are spread: by droplets from coughs and sneezes. Tips for staying healthy during flu season include cleaning your hands often with alcohol-based sanitizer or washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, and avoiding touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands. Additional recommendations from the CDC include:

- Getting a flu vaccine, taking [everyday preventive actions](#) to help stop the spread of germs, and taking flu antivirals if prescribed.
- Individuals and communities should familiarize themselves with [recommendations to protect themselves and their communities](#) from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses like coronavirus disease 2019.
- Older people and people with severe chronic conditions should [take special precautions](#) because they are at higher risk of developing COVID-19 illness.
- If you are in close contact with someone with COVID-19 and develop symptoms of COVID-19, call your healthcare provider and tell them about your symptoms and your exposure.
- If you are a resident in a community where there is ongoing spread of COVID-19 and you develop COVID-19 symptoms, call your healthcare provider and tell them about your symptoms.
- For people who are ill with COVID-19, but are not sick enough to be hospitalized, please follow [CDC guidance on how to reduce the risk of spreading your illness to others](#). People who are mildly ill with COVID-19 are able to isolate at home during their illness.

We will continue to update you on changes to this situation or impact to the Chicago Park District. Please contact us at 312.742.4564 with any questions.