

SCHOOLS: COVID-19 PPCP

Preparation
Prevention
Control
Plan





what should you know

The Department of Health and Department of Educations have detailed plans and information on their websites and links are posted at the end of this

Important information:

- What is Covid-19
- How is it spread
- What are the precautionary measures we can take
- Who to contact should we have suspected cases or confirmed cases.
- Prevent panic

Most of this information is in our document called Corona Virus-Covid-19

document. This document is only a guide developed by AfrA Foundation NPC.

Purpose of this document:

The purpose of this document is to provide additional useful information pertaining to preparation, prevention and control of Covid-19. This document should not replace any information provided by the Department of Health or Education or any other official statutory bodies.

Preparation

Develop your emergency operations plan (EOP)

Your EOP should cover the following:

Emergency Plan

Distribution

List Emergency Contact Information

Definition of Emergency Designation of the Person in Charge

Evacuation (Assessment, Implementation, Decision to Re-enter/Relocate, Duties)

Relocation (Assessment, Implementation, Duties)

Isolation (Assessment, Implementation, Duties)

Expansion (Assessment, Implementation, Duties)

Hazard-Specific Planning

Health Threats/Outbreaks

Bomb Threats and Suspicious Packages: Specific Procedures Hazardous

Substance Release: Inside the School

Hazardous Substance Release: Outside the School

School Bus Accident/Incident

After-Hours School Usage

Extended Isolation (Shelter-in-Place)

Off-Site School-Related Emergency Appendices

ATTACHMENTS that are useful.

A. School Profile and Building Information

B. Evacuation Routes

C. Local Hazards Assessment

D. Off-Site Emergency Plan E. Communications Plan

F. Sample Letter of Agreement for Relocation

G. Evidence Preservation for Schools

H. School Emergency Management Kit Contents

I. Classroom Emergency Management Kit Contents J.

J. Building Tenant Information

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Stock up on emergency material:

Ensure that emergency kits contain basic material to cope with all identified hazards.

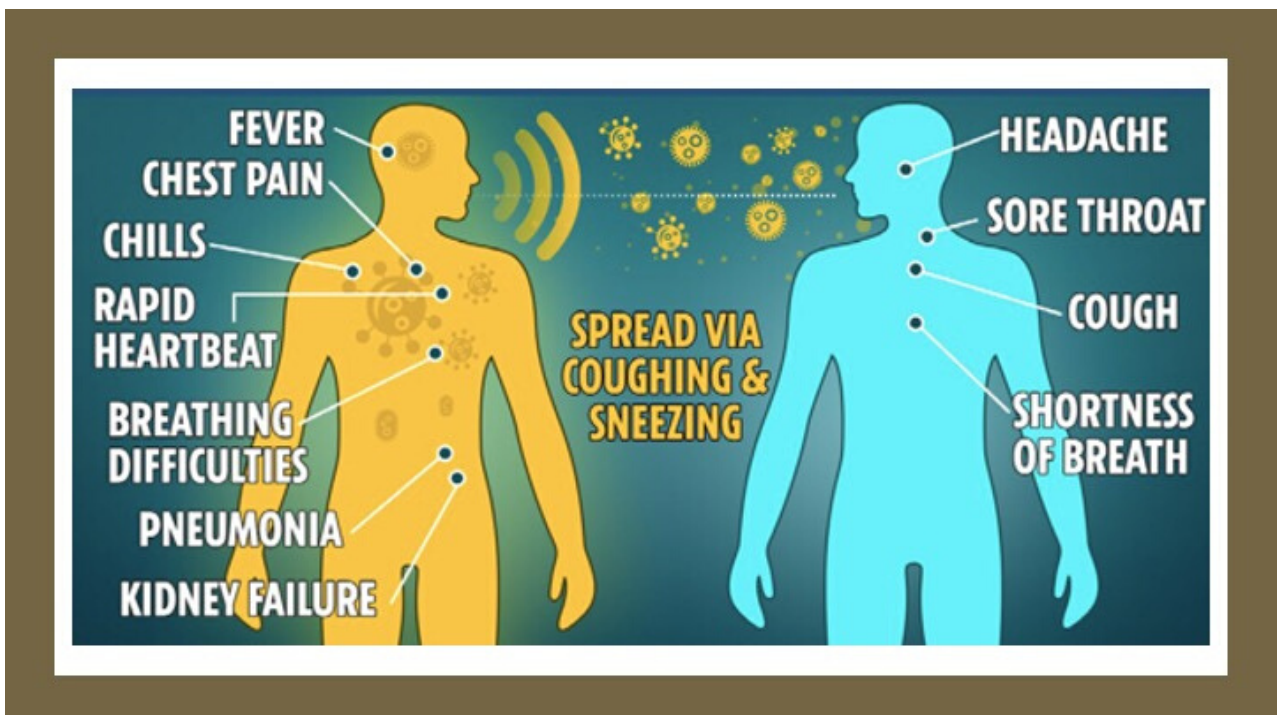
In the case of Covid-19 ensure you have the following:

- Access to water
- Masks
- Hand sanitizers
- Soap
- Masks
- Latex or latex free gloves
- Disposable Hazmat suits for designated people.
- Touch free thermometers (back up batteries)
- Specific or dedicated isolation areas

Develop an information-sharing strategy (this can be digital, audio or paper based).

Develop a communication plan and ensure that all required contact details are available.

Setup school apps or whatsapp groups to communicate information.



Prevention

- Create awareness through information sharing.
- Wash your hands regularly for at least 20 second with soap and water
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Promote self-home assessments
- Avoid large gatherings and and promote small group interactions at least until the threat/hazard has been cleared.
- Avoid close contact with those who are sick and stay home if you are sick.
- Promote daily deep cleaning of ablution facilities
- Promote cleaning of learner working surfaces.
- Ensure, if possible, that there is handsanitizer in ablution facilities and in each classroom.
- If there are financial constraints, ensure that there is sufficient soap and water in ablution facilities. Wash bottles and soap can be placed in strategic areas on the playground.
- Promote covering coughs or sneezes with a flexed elbow or a tissue, then throw the tissue in the bin.

Monitoring and evaluation

- Monitor and plan for absenteeism
- Review Departments of Health and Education announcements continually.
- Create opportunity to discuss and evaluate observations on a daily basis.

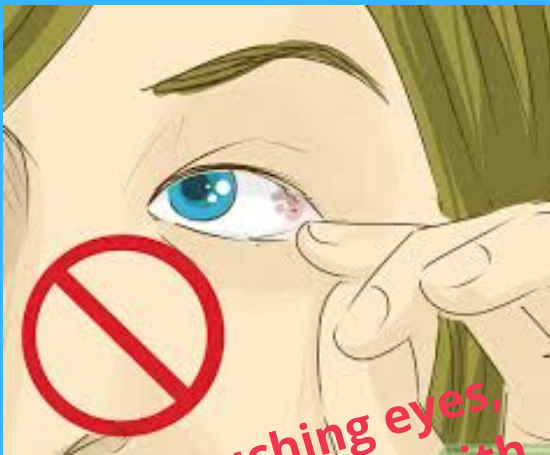




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soap and water



Disinfect surfaces
frequently



Avoid touching eyes,
nose and mouth with
unwashed hands



Cover cough/sneeze or
use a tissue and
throw it in bin



Stay at home if you
are sick

Control

- Control in this document is related to the identification of someone with Covid-19 symptoms or who freely discloses travel or illness.
- Establish a procedure for students and staff to follow in the event of someone becoming ill.
- Follow your general incident reporting procedures (ensure parents are notified).
- Ensure the learner or staff member is isolated and has a mask.
- Notify the necessary contacts at Departments of Health and Education.
- If possible determine who the person has been in contact with and temporarily isolate the group until further instructions from the Departments of Health and Education.
- Avoid panic and reassure everyone that the required steps have been taken.
- Ensure that you follow the necessary preventative measures e.g deep cleansing.
- Ensure that cleaning staff have the necessary personal protective clothing.
- Ensure that all Departments of Education and Health's policies are followed.
- Be prepared to dismiss school and cancel events if so instructed.



Important Contacts and websites

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<https://www.westerncape.gov.za/dept/health>

https://www.hpcs.co.za/Uploads/Publications%202020/Resources/SOP_Coronavirus_29_Jan_2020.pdf

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

http://www.nicd.ac.za/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/NICD-2019-nCoV-FAQ_28012020_Final.pdf

<https://wcedonline.westerncape.gov.za>

<https://www.education.gov.za>

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