

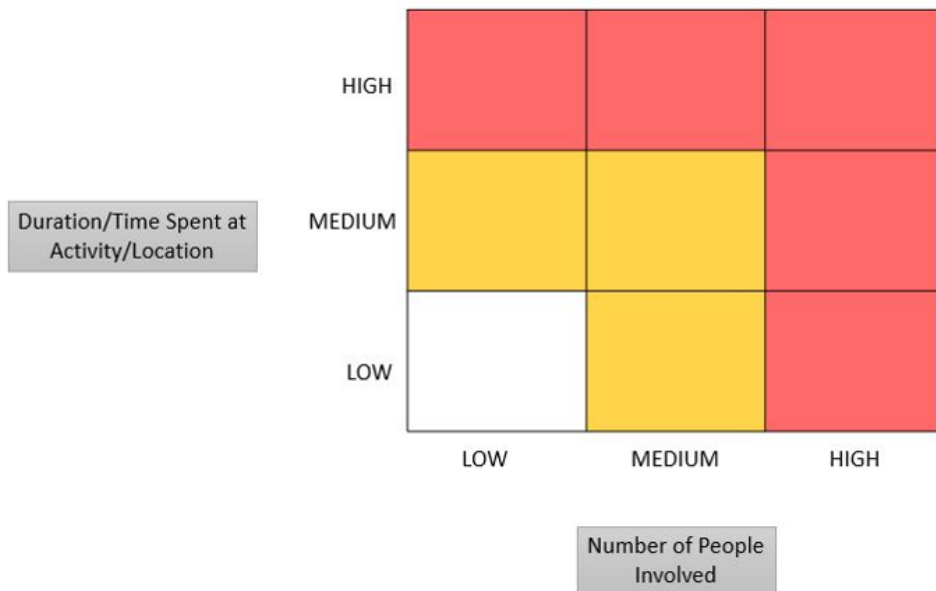
MVSC Covid-19 Protocol

Introduction

Welcome to MVSC! We are very excited that you have decided to be a part of this social distancing camp experience. In order to maintain a safe and sanitized environment, we have followed the guidelines posted by the BC Camps Association. For the safety of the campers and our staff, please take a moment to read our protocols and guidelines.

Evaluating Risk

We have used the tool below to assess the risk of transmission from social interaction. It is based on two factors. First, what is the contact intensity in your setting – the type of contact (close/distant) and the duration of contact (brief/prolonged). Second, what is the number of contacts in your setting or the number of people present in the setting at the same time. Without mitigation, a day camp setting could have the potential to be high risk.



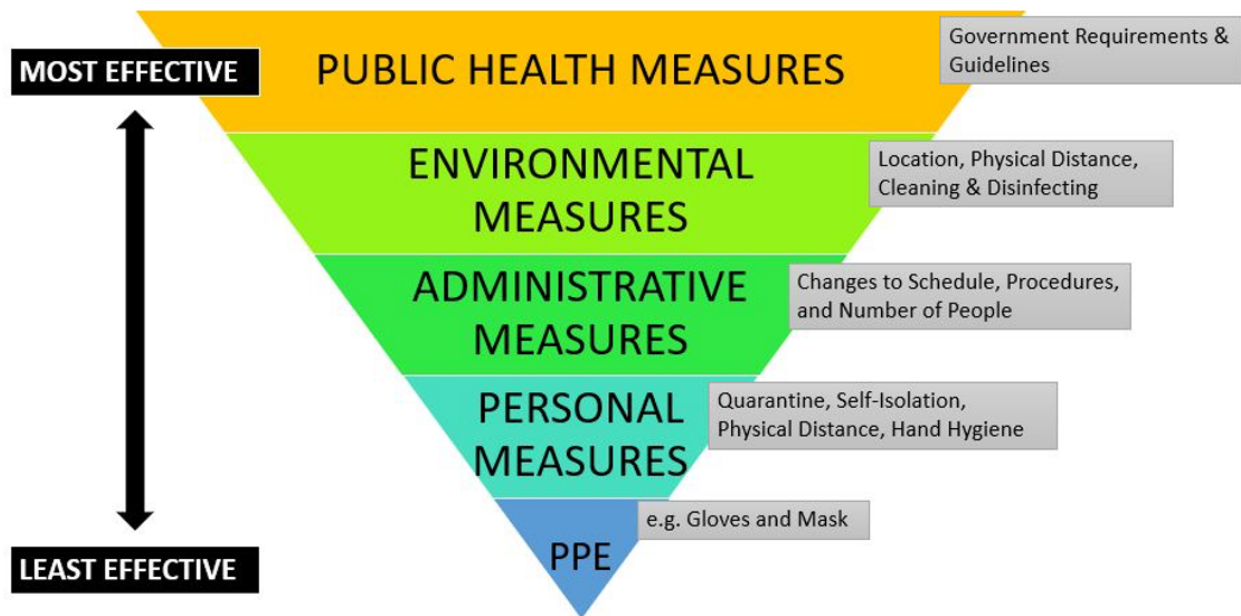
Mitigating Risk

Now that the level of risk has been assessed, measures can be put in place to prevent infection and control exposure. All settings of camp will require some level of mitigation. All activities

have been assessed and adapted so that they are low risk and can be done safely while maintaining physical distancing to the greatest extent possible.

Infection Prevention and Exposure Control Measures

Infection prevention and control measures can help create a safe environment for families and staff. This is how we mitigate risk. The Hierarchy of Infection Prevention and Exposure Control Measures for Communicable Disease (below) describes the measures that can be taken to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Control measures at the top are more effective and protective than those at the bottom. We have implemented a combination of measures at each level, which reduces the risk of COVID-19 substantially. The remainder of this document outlines how each area of the hierarchy is being addressed at camp in order to reduce the risk of infection and exposure in a day camp setting.



Public Health Measures

Public health measures are implemented throughout society to manage COVID-19. These generally come from the Provincial Health Officer.

Restricted gathering size

- The Provincial Health Officer's Order for Mass Gatherings continues to prohibit gatherings and events of people in excess of 50 people, however this Order does not apply to day camp settings. As such, there can be more than 50 children and

staff at any given setting if they are not all in one area and if they are actively engaged in physical distancing to the greatest extent possible.

Finding, tracing, and managing outbreaks

- The role of finding, tracing and managing outbreaks fall on public health staff, not camp staff.
- Staff will be keeping clear and concise records of all persons entering the camp property and incidents that occur at camp which can help public health staff accomplish their job.

Requiring Self-Isolation and Quarantine

- Anyone with cold/flu symptoms or symptoms of COVID-19 are required to stay home, consult a doctor and be tested for COVID-19.
- Self-isolation is also advised for those who are considered a close contact of a confirmed case and are waiting to see if they develop COVID19 illness.
- If a person is found to be a confirmed case of COVID-19, public health staff will ensure there is robust contact tracing and management of any clusters or outbreaks.
- They will also ensure that children, staff and parents have access to healthcare providers and that appropriate supports are in place

Environmental Measures

Environmental measures are physical changes to a space or environment to reduce the risk of exposure to the virus.

Cleaning and Disinfecting

- Buildings will be generally cleaned and disinfected daily.
- High contact surfaces (e.g. shared equipment, door knobs, light switches, table tops) will be cleaned and disinfected a minimum of twice per day
- Any surface that is visibly dirty will be cleaned and disinfected
- For equipment or surfaces that cannot be easily disinfected (e.g. climbing wall, stuffed toys) there will be increased attention to appropriate hygiene practices (i.e. handwashing).
- Appropriate hand hygiene will be completed after cleaning
- Hands will be washed before and after using gloves

Physical Markers and Barriers

- There will be physical distancing markers and barriers to ensure that physical distancing is practiced to the greatest extent possible
- Please pay attention to any signage or guidelines that indicate that areas are off limits
- There will be reminders to always adhere to any markers or barriers that are in place

Administrative Measures

Administrative measures are implemented through policies, procedures, planning and training to manage and reduce virus exposure.

Physical Distancing and Minimizing Physical Contact

- Each cabin and tenting area has a set limit of one family that resides in the same household
- Campers and staff are encouraged to maintain 2 meters distance from all individuals who do not live in their same household
- Hugs and handshake greetings are not acceptable
- Only activities that allow social distancing to be possible are permitted

Check in and Check out

- The organization leader must check in
- Each head of the family must check in and provide contact information
- Each head of the family must attend a short briefing on the rules and regulations that have been put in place at MVSC
- All garbage must be picked up and disposed of before checking out
- The leader must contact the camp director to ensure that all payments have been made
- Ensure that cabin or camping area is left in good condition

Program and Activities

- All activities have been modified and designed to maintain physical distancing
- If any equipment is shared, it will be thoroughly sanitized in between campers
- All activities will be done outside

Staff Training

- In addition to the training normally received, staff must receive training on all COVID-19 related policies and procedures.

Camper and Parent or Guardian Education

- All campers should educate themselves on the policies and procedures that are relevant to them to ensure cooperation and understand before their arrival on campus
- Campers will be given continual reminders about the importance of social distancing

Food Service

- We will not be providing food
- Campers must bring their own food and cooking appliances
- Bring a strainer to strain out the chunks from the gray water and dish water

First Aid

- The FA attendant and patient will wear masks while care is being provided.
- Approved procedure masks, gloves will be used while first aid is being administered
- If CPR is required, a pocket mask will be used to administer first aid

Record Keeping

- A record will be kept of campers or staff unable to attend due to being symptomatic.
- Records will be kept of any incidents involving campers or staff becoming symptomatic at camp.

Staff and Campers with Symptoms

- If a camper or staff member develops a new cough (e.g., unrelated to pre-existing conditions such as asthma), fever, shortness of breath, or other symptoms of COVID-19 during the camp day/class session, they will be isolated away from others immediately, and sent home as soon as possible.
- While waiting for a sick child to be picked up or leave, a staff member will stay with the child in a room isolated from others. The caregiver will remain as far away as safely possible from the child (preferably at least 6 feet), while remaining in the same room.

- The affected individual should isolate at home and be tested for COVID-19. If the test is negative, the individual can return to activities once symptoms are resolved. If the test is positive, the individual must isolate at home until directed otherwise by public health (for at least 10 days after illness onset).
- If anyone who has entered the camp facility is diagnosed with COVID-19, it will be reported to the [local public health authority](#) and staff will adhere to any given advice
- Any cluster of illness among the program staff or campers will be reported to the [local public health authority](#)

Personal Measures

Personal measures can be taken by the individual for the safety of themselves and others they interact with.

Daily Camper and Staff Screening and Staying Home

- All parents, caregivers, children and staff who have symptoms of COVID-19 OR travelled outside Canada in the last 14 days OR were identified by Public Health as a close contact of a confirmed case must stay home and self-isolate.
- Anyone with cold/flu or COVID-19 symptoms or other illness must stay home.
- Parents/guardians must check their children each day for symptoms. Staff will ask parents/guardians to confirm this at drop off.
- Staff will check themselves each day for symptoms and stay home if they are unwell.

Hand Hygiene

- Ensure to wash hands with soap and water for at a minimum of 20 seconds.
- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol may be used if sinks are not available.
- If hands are visibly soiled, alcohol-based hand sanitizers may not be effective at eliminating respiratory viruses. Soap and water are preferred when hands are visibly dirty.
- Regular hand washing times will be in the daily schedule
- Staff will demonstrate proper hand washing and will make sure the campers practice proper hand washing throughout the week
- Staff will assist young campers who may struggle with maintaining proper hand hygiene

Respiratory Etiquette

- Staff will teach campers how to properly cough or sneeze into their elbows
- Staff will also ensure to remind campers to avoid touching their faces
- It is not recommended that campers wear cloth or homemade masks

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

PPE is the last and least effective of the infection prevention and exposure control measure and should only be considered after exploring all other measures.

Personal protective equipment, such as masks and gloves are not required in the child care setting, beyond those used by staff as part of regular precautions for the hazards normally encountered in their regular course of work.

This last form of protection should only be considered after careful consideration of the previous control measures. The use of gloves and face masks may be considered where none of the above controls are possible/effective. If gloves and masks are used, proper usage guidelines will be followed. Staff will ensure that hands are washed before and after glove use.