Maintaining Health and Safety during the 2021 PIT Count

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Overview

- These recommendations align with HUD guidance

- Four main points:
  1. Partner with local health authority or Health Care for the Homeless organization if feasible
  2. Use appropriate PPE
  3. Maintain social distancing
  4. Incorporate screening/testing for COVID-19
1. Partner with local health authority

- If feasible, partner with your local health authority or Health Care for the Homeless organization to develop/discuss plans appropriate for your local resources and context.
2. Use appropriate PPE

- **Consistent with HUD guidance, we recommend:**
  - Supply N95s to enumerators in areas with moderate to high COVID transmission
  - Because transmission currently high across much of the country, consider supplying: face shields, gloves, and hand sanitizer
  - Consider supplying masks to homeless individuals encountered during count
3. Maintain social distancing

- Maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from each other and from individuals experiencing homelessness
- To facilitate social distancing, we recommend creating small counting teams (2-3 people/team)
4. Incorporate COVID testing and screening

- Consistent with HUD guidance, we recommend:
  - Test enumerators for COVID-19 no more than 7 days before count and/or complete symptom screen and temperature check
  - Stay home if you have symptoms
  - Monitor for symptoms 10-14 days following count
  - Consider having enumerators download a contact tracing application for their state or local jurisdiction
Thank you

- Discussion, questions, comments
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