VISITING VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS GUIDANCE AND REQUIREMENTS

A. Outside volunteer visitation to the Oglala Sioux Tribe shall only be allowed when the Tribe is within the Yellow or Green Risk Levels.

B. The OST President or his designee must provide written approval for all Volunteer Organization visitation during the Pandemic-Emergency Declaration period.

C. Prior to entry to the Pine Ridge Reservation volunteers must provide proof of being fully vaccinated to the OST Public Health Authority/Health Administrator. The OSTPHA will obtain written approval from the OST President or his designee and send to the volunteer organization.

D. Volunteer organizations shall be limited to no more than 50 visiting individuals per organization at one time with a list of names and contact information provided to the Oglala Sioux Tribe Public Health Authority (OSTPHA).

E. The volunteer organization shall present the written approval form at the Border Checkpoint for entry then proceed to the OST Emergency Management Office to receive volunteer passes.

F. Volunteer organizations shall submit a Safety Plan to the OSTPHA at least two (2) weeks prior to visiting the Pine Ridge Reservation (see contact information below).

G. Visitation Safety Plans must be reviewed by the OST Public Health Authority. The OST Public Health Authority may request further review by the OST COVID-19 Response Incident Command.

H. At a minimum, the Safety Plan shall include the following:
   • Volunteers must wear a mask when in public and when in the presence of residents of the Pine Ridge Reservation.
   • Social distance at least 6 ft when not in your own group, e.g. in public or in the presence of residents of the Pine Ridge Reservation.
   • Volunteers must perform frequent hand hygiene either by hand washing for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.
   • Cleaning and disinfection of worksite, eating and living quarters, and other areas that are a potential area for risk of transmission.
   • Organizations shall monitor their staff and volunteers for COVID-19 symptoms on a daily basis to include temperature taking and assessing for any symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, etc.
   • Any individual of the organization who is experiencing any symptoms of illness shall not come to the Pine Ridge Reservation.
   • If an individual develops symptoms during the visit, the organization shall immediately contact the OSTPHA for testing, and immediately isolate the individual.

Submission of Requests, Safety Plans, and documentation of vaccination shall be submitted to:
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