

COVID 19 SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

ABSTRACT

Since there is no proven treatment or vaccine against COVID-19, the only effective measure to control the virus and protect public health is to reduce the frequency of close contact between people. Governments around the world have issued relevant policies and guidelines to increase social distance within and between countries. In the United States, the federal government has issued guidelines urging citizens to avoid gathering 10 or more people in order to reduce community transmission

INSTITUTIONS

Schools, universities and daycare centers have temporarily suspended operations, playgrounds and other public places have been closed, cultural activities have been cancelled, tourist attractions such as Broadway and Disneyland have been closed, and the National Sports League has suspended or cancelled the competition season.

CULTURE VALUE AFFECT

the recommendation is to embed core cultural values related to potential threats when interacting with the public to avoid social gatherings during the COVID-19 pandemic. Let people understand that they may have an incubation period to infect others, which is understandable. In addition, this should be taken into consideration when interacting with strangers in the public may increase the risk of contracting the coronavirus

MENTAL HEALTH

The pandemic may have long-term and short-term effects on mental health and substance use, especially for people who may be at risk of new or intensified mental health struggles. An analysis of the psychological damage to medical staff during the outbreak found that psychological distress may last up to three years after the outbreak

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