

# **Practical Tips for Preventing COVID-19 Transmission for Your Congregants**

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# **Presentation Objectives:**

- Help Empower your congregants with knowledge and strategies on how to protect themselves against COVID-19
- Understand:
  - How COVID-19 can enter the body to make someone ill
  - Basic principles of handling, wearing, removing, and caring for a face mask
  - The benefits of good hand hygiene practices

Module 1: Conditions Where COVID-19 is Easily
Spread Among People

- Crowded spaces
- Loud areas
- Enclosed or small spaces
- Poor ventilation
- Actions that increase risk:
  - Face mask status: partial or absent
  - Long duration in space
  - Fast breathing
  - Loud voice or singing
  - Coughing or sneezing
  - Smoking
  - Vaping or e-cigarette use

# **Module 2:** Conditions That Help Reduce COVID-19 Spread Among People

- Clean hands
- Hand awareness
- Wearing a face mask when around others
- Correct face mask use of others
- Physical distancing
- Planning and flexibility
- Wellness and general health

# **Module 3:** Strategy to Stay Safe: Risk Assessment & Decision Making

- Awareness of Surroundings
- Planning in advance
- Flexibility

#### Module 4: Applications in Daily Life

- Essential shopping & grocery handling
- Public transportation
- Having or being a guest
- Acts of support
- Other



# **Additional Resources**

#### Supplemental Videos by Dr. Rama B. Rao

- COVID-19 Strategy
- Making a Face Mask at Home
- How to Wear and Remove a Face Mask
  - o Face Mask with a Wire
  - o Removing a Face Mask with Head Straps
- Entertaining: Having or Being a Guest
- Essential Shopping & Grocery Handling
- Hand Washing
- Wellness

# CDC and NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene COVID-19 Resources:

- CDC Wearing a Cloth Face Covering
  - o How to Wear a Mask
  - o Caring for Your Cloth Mask
- CDC How to Clean and Disinfect Your Home
- CDC <u>Running Essential Errands</u>
- NYC DOHMH <u>Coping Strategies for COVID-19</u>
- NYC DOHMH Wellness: Staying Connected During COVID-19

### **Resources for Persons in Recovery:**

- NYC DOHMH <u>Alcohol Use During COVID-19</u>
- NYC DOHMH Substance Use During COVID-19
- NYC DOHMH <u>Tobacco Use: Resources to Quit</u>
- NYC DOHMH <u>E-cigarettes/Vaping During COVID-19</u>
- NYC DOHMH <u>Opioid Use: Buprenorphine and Methadone During COVID-19</u>