Summer Camp Reopening Decision Tool

The purpose of this tool is to assist park and recreation professionals in making decisions regarding youth programs and summer camps during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is important to adhere to all state and local guidance from health officials and others to determine the most appropriate actions.

**Should you consider opening?**

- Is the program in a community no longer requiring significant mitigation measures?
- Will reopening be allowable with state and local orders?
- Will the program limit attendance to children and staff that live in the area?
- Have you conducted a risk assessment of the program and answered key questions to inform planning and decision making?
- Will the program be able to protect higher risk children and staff?

**Are recommended health and safety precautions in place?**

- Promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing, staff wearing cloth face coverings and other PPE
- Intensify cleaning, disinfection and ventilation of facility
- Ensure physical distancing such as increased spacing, small groups, limited mixing between groups
- Limit sharing of items such as toys, belongings, sports equipment, supplies and food
- Train all staff on safety actions, policies and standard operating procedures
- Update program waivers if necessary and ensure emergency contact information is available and current for all participants and staff

**Are you able to conduct ongoing monitoring?**

- Check for signs and symptoms in children and staff, including conducting health screenings
- Encourage anyone who is sick to stay home and continue to promote healthy hygiene practices
- Regularly communicate with local authorities, staff and families
- Have a documented plan for if children or staff get sick
- Monitor child and staff absences and have flexible leave policies and practices
- Be ready to reinstate mitigation measures and close if there is increased transmission

*Tool based on draft CDC guidance*