Space and Behavior Guidelines

Units should be aware of how one conducts in person activities with individuals who may present a risk. Please consider the following two questions.

1. Is the space the best place for this activity?
2. How will travel be controlled from entrance to the space where in-person activities will occur?

Currently we advise to make the individual aware of the precautions and safety measures for the in-person activities. This can range from a personal health disclosure of any related symptoms to having someone take their temperature as they arrive. Developing a script for the interaction and communicating this to the individual(s) is a primary tool we recommend for this in person type of activity.

With our testing program here at the University that helps us know and manage our population we may think let’s get everyone tested. Requiring testing of an individual prior to the test day will not in itself minimize the risk. A person may be exposed simply right after they have tested and/or the next day. Testing and then a self-quarantine would be a way to minimize the risk. However, that is not reasonable as it will impose a hardship on many. Making sure you have a plan for the event and communicating this plan to the individual(s) with the expectations is vitally important.

Signage, communication, staff assistance all are recommendations on how to achieve testing and in-person interviewing safely.

Safety of staff and the public must be our top priority. Good communication will facilitate the best course of action as you conduct in person testing or an in-person interview.