



## **Coronavirus Frequently Asked Questions of ADCF Regarding Charitable Clinic Support**

**Q: In light of the coronavirus, has ADCF added any safeguards for disinfection of equipment?**

**A:** ADCF has historically, and is committed to continue, exercising disinfection and sterilization protocols that meet or exceed CDC and OSAP standards for dental offices and related equipment/instruments.

**Q: Does ADCF have any emergency preparedness actions in place in case the Department of Health and Human Services, or any like public health entity, calls for a closure of large public events?**

**A:** If a clinic is canceled due to a DHHS call for closure, or any like public health entity, ADCF will work with you to reschedule at a mutually agreeable time. If a clinic should get shut down DURING the clinic, we would then engage your leadership to activate our already-in-place disinfecting and sterilization protocols for equipment and instruments before loading our trailer for exit from the venue. This would need to be, without reservation, a group effort that we would need your help with as with any other tear-down procedures/protocols. As always, following any federal, state, and local public health protocols specific to your local area must be paramount in your clinic efforts.

**Q: If there is a call for cancellation of public events, how does that effect our current contract? Are we out the down payment and nothing more? Would we receive the down payment back in lieu of the health concern?**

**A:** ADCF would retain the deposit, per the contract, but we would also work with you to reschedule your clinic and not charge a deposit for the rescheduled event.

**Q: Since the Mission of Mercy/charitable clinic is a health-related program, does ADCF require that we do anything additional regarding sanitation of the equipment before and/or after the program dates?**

**A:** Nothing additional to our already-in-place protocols. Just monitor closely the disinfection of the stations after each patient and continue to make sure instrumentation and handpieces (slow-speed motors included) make it back to sterilization in a covered, puncture-proof container after each patient. Also make sure proper hand hygiene is being performed by each practitioner after each patient. As always, following any federal, state, and local public health protocols will be paramount.



**Q: Does ADCF do anything additional regarding sanitation of the equipment prior to bringing it to the facility where the clinic is to be held?**

**A:** We require states to disinfect each piece of equipment before it is loaded into the crates. This will continue to be the protocol and we will make sure to keep a close eye and strict enforcement on this procedure during the breakdown process at the event prior. Many states also have volunteers disinfect the equipment on setup day as an added precaution. Given the current coronavirus concerns, we would encourage this extra step on setup day.

**Q: What if the facility where the clinic is to be held determines they would not want to hold the clinic at their facility based on anything to do with the coronavirus? How does that change the contract?**

**A:** It wouldn't change your ADCF contract, but we would work with you to reschedule to an available future open date on ADCF's schedule and roll over the deposit. We would still, as per normal procedure, need to confirm that a new venue has the appropriate power, water and space available.