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Subject: Re: Presentation email instructions - PSLU Committee 9/23/20

Attachments: County Council Mtg. .pptx

Chair Paltin,

Please see attached for current information on COVID Contact Investigations/Tracing by Maui District Health Office.

We look forward to learning from you and sharing what we are doing.

Thank you,

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"Public Health Nurses listen and respond to community needs based on our professional knowledge and relationships with individuals, families, and communities."

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Presentation email instructions - PSLU Committee 9/23/20

Aloha Heidi,

Please email your presentation addressed to Chair Paltin to the Committee email: pslu.committee@mauicounty.us

Please let me know if you'd like to practice screen sharing in BlueJeans before tomorrow's meeting, it is very similar to Teams and Zoom.

Thank you,

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Maui District Health Office (MDHO) Contact Investigations/Contact Tracing With Apps

Takako Nakaaki, Disease Investigator, Epi Specialist Heidi Taogoshi, Public Health Nurse 9/24/20



Stopping COVID-19 in its tracks

Terms to Know



Case
A person who has
tested positive for the
COVID-19 virus



Close Contact
A person who was
within 6 feet of a case
for at least 15 minutes



Contact Tracing
The process of
identifying, locating,
and monitoring contacts
of the Case



Isolation

Separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick



Quarantine

Separates and limits
the movement of people
who were in contact with a
person who has a contagious
disease in case they were
infected and become sick



If a close contact

Stopping COVID-19 in its tracks

What is Contact Tracing?

Laboratory test confirms COVID-19 Case



The Hawai'i Department of Health's contact tracers protect the community from the spread of COVID-19 by identifying, quarantining, and monitoring persons who have close contact with a case.



Close contacts are told to quarantine for 14 days and are contacted over that time to monitor their health.

The Department will notify them when they are released from quarantine.

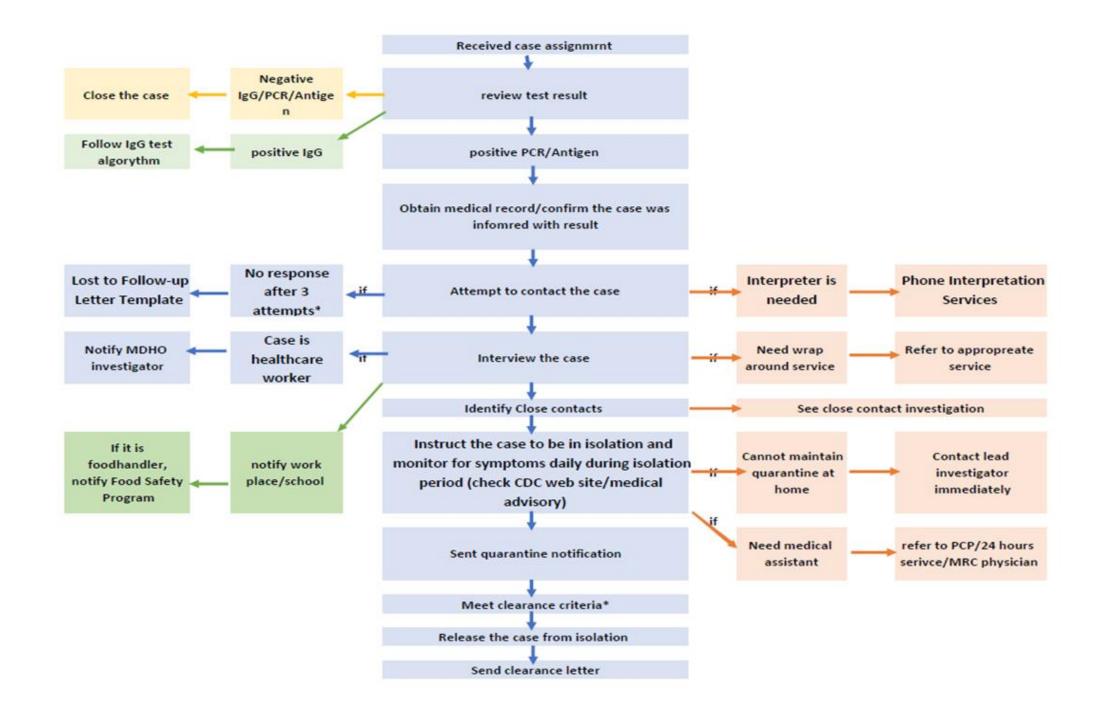
Department of Health works with the case to identify anyone they may have had close contact with and calls all those identified.

Department of Health

is notified.

Current Contact Tracing in MDHO

- All confirmed and probable cases are contacted by an investigator within 24 hours of MDHO receiving notification
- Identified contacts are interviewed and educated about quarantine within 24 hours of identifying them and getting their contact information
- CT is being done the same for all 3 islands; we have team members on Maui (Hana), Molokai, Lanai
- If an investigator/contact tracer is not on the same island as the case they are assigned, they are integrated with larger MDHO team and are not doing contact tracing independently. We have daily team meetings and briefings. Every question or concern that they cannot address, gets relayed to the team.
- All have been trained on local resources for food, financial assistance, medical resources, testing, isolation/quarantine sites, etc.



Close Contacts Follow Up Received a list of close contacts Lost to Follow-No response Notified close contact within 24 to Initiate case Close contact is non-**Notify MDHO** after 3 48 hours of their exposure via up Letter Hawaii Resident investigator investigation Template attempts* telephone. Contact is Phone Interview contacts *Contact **Notify MDHO** Interpreter is healthcare Interpretation investigator Interview Form. needed worker Services Positive Have or develops Instruct the contact to quarantine No Sx but tested Notify MDHO Positive during the and monitor for symptoms daily Sx during the Tested investigator quarantine during quarantine period ** quarantine Negative Inform contacts about monitoring Initiate case Cannot maintain Not Tested Negative investigation options quarantine at home Contact MDHO Must isolate Continue Continue Sent quarantine notification until cleared investigator quarantine quarantine immediately from isolation Remain asymptomatic during the Sx: Symptoms ** 14 days after quarantine period the last exposure to * three time on confirmed/prob Assess needs and provide support Release from the isolation AFTER the deferent date able case services when identified last day of quarantine date and time

Using technology/Apps

Pros

- Done timely
- Identify outbreaks quickly
- Less man power
- Empowers individuals
- More accurate than relying on memory

Cons

- Psychological/emotional support better with in person
- Cannot customize education and answer questions
- People don't want government "tracking" them
- Significant % of population need to download to be effective?

Questions to consider...

- Who is using app? Providers as well as public?
- Is it for case management or exposure notification or both?
- How does it connect to existing Hawaii statewide reporting system?
- What about visitors from out of state who use a different App?
- Can it include a county-wide standardized support resource list?
- Can app be used to increase public awareness on what to do when you are exposed?
- How to best utilize technology/apps to integrate and enhance current contact tracing operations being done by trained professionals?

Hawaii Department of Health Approved App

- AlohaSafe Story App helps you recall where you have been
 - Available now through Apple
 - Coming soon for Google
- AlohaSafe Alert App DOH can send alerts/exposure notifications

https://www.wearealohasafe.org/