

Field Institute of Taos Health and Safety Guidelines and COVID Safe Protocols – updated 3/21/22
Please note: These guidelines may change at any time and will be updated on our website. Parents of any children in a session at the time of any changes will be notified directly.

We will continue to follow CDC guidelines and recommendations on Covid safety. FIT is requiring masks in indoor spaces (including in vans) but masking is not required when outdoors.

The health and safety of our participants and their families, staff, and community is always our number one priority. We are committed to taking all necessary precautions to limit exposure to and transmission of COVID 19. We continue to monitor the situation with this virus with the support of our Medical Director and guidance of public health experts. We will adjust how we are operating, based on guidelines from the State of New Mexico and the CDC.

Camper Health

It is important that all FIT participants, parents, staff, and community members continue to pay close attention to their health and the health of those around them. We aim to keep everyone healthy.

YOUR CHILD SHOULD NEVER ATTEND A PROGRAM IF HE OR SHE HAS ANY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS OR IF YOUR CHILD HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH ANYONE WHO HAS THESE SYMPTOMS OR HAD TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID 19.

Symptoms include: **fever, sore throat, cough, muscle aches, congestion, vomiting, diarrhea, tiredness, or shortness of breath; lost or experienced an altered sense of smell or taste;** If your child or someone in the household exhibits any of these symptoms, please do not come to FIT programs. Notify us so we can consult our Medical Advisor and determine the best course of action.

Masks and Distancing

Masks will be required in any indoor spaces (including vans) for staff and campers, regardless of vaccination status. Masks may be removed when staff and campers are outdoors.

All FIT staff, volunteers, and participants must bring a non-cloth mask daily and USE this mask anytime they are inside. Please bring a KN95 mask that fits as these are effective in keeping everyone safe indoors. If a child forgets a mask or is not able to obtain a KN95 mask, FIT will have extras available at no charge.

Infection Response and Contact Tracking

If any participant or FIT staff person tests positive for COVID-19, an appropriate response will be formulated.

Picking Up a Sick Child and Refunds

If a child begins to exhibit any symptoms of illness while in a FIT program, we will not put the child with symptoms in the van with healthy children. The parent or guardian will be required to pick the child up as soon as possible. In the event of a child becoming sick before a session begins or during a session, FIT will issue a full refund of the unused days.

The decision by our Board of Directors (in conjunction with our Medical Advisor) to comply CDC guidelines was made to support the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of our community's children. We understand that everyone may not agree with our approach. We hope you will respect our decision as one that comes from a desire to do what we feel is best for our community.

We are here to help so do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.
Please contact Susie via email, text, or phone.

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