



Mayne Island Improvement District Mayne Island Fire Rescue



The MIID and Fire Department are reopening to the public as of June 2, 2020

COVID19 Impact Mitigation Strategy – The Five Pillars

The fundamental approach to mitigating the spread of COVID19 is conceptually simple and consists of the following pillars.

1. Self Assess for Symptoms and Return When Healthy

The first pillar of the mitigation strategy will be to make efforts to prevent illness from arriving in the hall in the first place. The best approach to this end will be to screen incoming members on the basis of symptom presentation. This will not eliminate asymptomatic people but is key to reducing potential arrival of illness.

For anyone that does have COVID19 like symptoms, it will be important to determine when they are safe to return to the department.

2. Physical (Social) Distancing

Make best efforts to maintain a physical distance of at least 2 metres (6 feet) between people at all times. In doing so, it becomes difficult for anyone to become infected by someone else, whether they are symptomatic or asymptomatic.

3. Hand Hygiene

By focussing on keeping hands clean, you reduce the possibility of people infecting themselves when their hands come into contact with virus droplets on surfaces, and you also reduce the potential to spread the virus via common use objects (railings, door handles etc.).

Proper hand washing should occur regularly and should entail using soap and washing with warm water for at least 20 seconds.

4. Face Touching Avoidance (e.g. touching eyes, mouth, nose, etc.)

Another way to avoid getting infected is to encourage the avoidance of touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with hands. In lieu, suggest the use of one's shoulder, forearm, or a tissue if an itch must be addressed.

5. Enhanced Cleaning

Regularly cleaning all high-touch surfaces and common use objects is another key way to curtail the spread.
