

## **HOW TO SAFELY ENGAGE COMMUNITIES**

Tips for volunteers on conducting face-to-face community meetings during COVID-19





**Avoid wearing** items that need to be disinfected afterwards

Stay at home if you feel symptoms



Set up your community meeting safely by:

- Prepare it outside if possible and security context allows
- Ask participants to keep 2m apart from each other. You can prepare chairs beforehand
- Try not to allow more than 5 participants, with a maximum of 2 facilitators
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment following your NS recommendations
- If mandated by government, physical distancing is no possible and/or high number of cases, encourage participants to use masks





**Avoid typical** physical greetings and try new practices without touching

During the activity



**Cough or sneeze** into your elbow



Do not enter homes

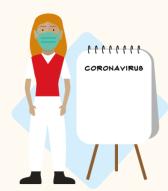
During household visits, you can speak through windows or doorways maintaining 2-meter distance



Do not touch your face

## **Use large format materials**

instead of handing out flyers to avoid virus transmission



## After the activity



**Disinfect all items** 

## **Wash hands**

with soap and water or use hand sanitizer after each household visit or community interaction

Designate a space

for removing and cleaning clothing used during your outreach, remember disposable masks need to be discarded into a closed bin each day and not reused!



For more tips on risk communication and community engagement: https://communityengagementhub.org/what-we-do/novel-coronavirus/