



ACT Updates Regarding COVID-19 Outbreak

Hello All,

In light of the novel corona virus (COVID-19) outbreak, practices to assure client, staff and community safety are of foremost importance. Please follow all guidelines provided by your agency, the Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Governor Kate Brown and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

This has current information for Oregonians from the Oregon Health Authority, the Oregon Department of Human Services and the Governor's office:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Pages/emerging-respiratory-infections.aspx>

CDC's website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/>

For OHA guidelines on visiting the OSH, published 3/15/2020, please [click here](#).

For OHA guidelines regarding minimizing the spread of COVID-19, published 3/12/2020 , [click here](#).

Currently, OCEACT is suspending all travel through mid-April and will continue to monitor the situation.

Your OCEACT liaison will be in touch this week to discuss options for postponing/rescheduling any upcoming trainings and fidelity reviews including provision of webinar rather than in-person trainings and the

possibility of fidelity reviews conducted remotely. OCEACT supports ACT teams and agencies in prioritizing service delivery, so please don't worry about fidelity reviews at this time. In light of prioritizing ACT participant and staff safety, take all precautions that seem prudent regardless of Assertive Community Treatment fidelity implications.

OCEACT will be offering opportunities for ACT providers to coordinate efforts to provide best practices during these uncertain times. We will also share information and provide guidance this week via email, conference calls and OCEACT website updates (www.oceact.org).

OCEACT has scheduled weekly teleconferences via Go To Meeting (as well as the telephone conference line) to provide updates about ACT services, resources and strategies to best support ACT participants and staff during this emerging health crisis. When possible, representatives from Oregon Health Authority will join the teleconference.

Teleconferences for ACT Teams will be held as follows:

3/18/20 10a-11 and 2p-3
3/25/20 10a-11 and 2p-3
4/01/20 10a-11 and 2p-3

**Additional dates will be added as needed.

Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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Participant Code 4365143#

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2020 ACT Statewide Conference

The annual Oregon ACT Conference is scheduled for June 16-17, 2020 at the Alumni Center at Oregon State University. We are closely monitoring public health guidelines and will be making a final decision as to whether to proceed with the annual conference, yes or no, by May 1st at the latest. We will notify everyone via email and will post our decision on the [OCEACT website](#).

OCEACT staff can also be reached via email and phone. We are here to support you as best we can in this rapidly evolving situation. Let us know how we can help.

Be well and best wishes,

Your OCEACT Team

