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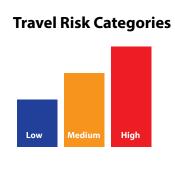
# **TRAVEL RISK CATEGORIES** & THREAT LEVEL MATRIX

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All stakeholders play a critical role in supporting positive community action. Through the support of Governor Lolo M. Moliga, Lieutenant Governor Lemanu P.S. Mauga and the Territory of American Samoa, this call to action involves the engagement of our people to lend support and assistance to our Healthcare Professionals, First Responders, Traditional Leaders, Local Government, Private Industries and Faith Based Organizations to help operationalize this Plan and Threat Matrix by adhering to those requiring self-quarantine (Home) or isolation quarantine (Medical Facility) for a period of 14 days. This would include ensuring those individuals and families continue to have access to food, water, medicines and other essential items or services.

Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) as well as other community groups such as Religious denominations and ethnic-specific groups will help address the specific needs of vulnerable and elderly communities. Government agencies will coordinate the mobilization of government resources, assets and finances to support the nationwide response. The American Samoa Department of Health and LBJ will lead the health response, in collaboration with relevant community and international partners. The private sector will work alongside government agencies to minimize disruption to the business continuity.









# **Low Risk**

- 1. Asymptomatic
- 2. No Travel History to COVID-19 affected Countries & **U.S. States**

**LEVEL 1** 

#### **Medium Risk**

- 1. Asymptomatic.
- 2. Home Ouarantine for 14 Days after arrival date.
- 3. Daily Follow-up by DOH - EPI Teams.
- 4. Close-contact: Spouse or Partner or People living in the same household with COVID-19 case.

**LEVEL 2** 

## **High Risk**

- 1. **Symptomatic Stable**: for whole families with a member showing fever, cough, without shortness of breath will be subject to Home Quarantine,14 days from travel date. Daily follow-up by EpiNet Teams.
- 2. Leone Health Center: **Non-compliant Home Ouarantine.**
- 3. Person(s) living with vulnerable population or elderly with chronic medical condition to include heart disease, respiratory disease, ESRD, diabetes, young children.
- 4. Symptomatic Unstable: person showing fever, cough, and shortness of breath or (life-threatening physician's discretion, require hospital care); transport to LBJ for isolation.
- 5. COVID-19 POSITIVE
- 6. Contact Tracing: Passengers seated with perimeter of 3 rows front, 3 rows back.

**LEVEL 3** 



## Threat Level Matrix

#### Color Codes for **Situations & Restrictions**



**CODE BLUE** Minimal social disruption with an emphasis on social distancing, hygiene, and cough etiquette.



SITUATION: COVID-19 has been identified and spreading in Foreign Countries and in the United States, including Hawaii and not in American Samoa. Measures focus on delaying entry of the disease through community awareness/education and encouraging hand washing, cough etiquette and social distancing. Minimal disruption to society such as travel advisories and restrictions. Conduct business as usual. Minimal disruption to society such as quarantine and isolation.

- The public is encouraged to avoid touching the face, thoroughly wash hands with soap for 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer of more than 70% alcohol. The public is further advised to use the Comprehensive Sanitation Program for Community Facilities for guidance on disinfecting households.
- Travelers from affected foreign countries will be on full quarantine on arrival. For covid-19 related workers, quarantines will not be imposed.
- Travelers from affected US states will be subject to screening and guarantine at the discretion of DOH physicians. For covid-19 related workers, quarantines will not be imposed.
- Unnecessary travel to affected foreign countries or US states is discouraged.
- All ASG departments are to schedule 50% staffing levels and/or provide flex accommodation. Tier One employees will work on Monday/Wednesday. Tier Two employees will work Tuesday/Thursday. All employees will be compensated for 40 hours per week. First responders and essential personnel will be staffed for 24/7 operations.
- Social distancing methods are to be encouraged such as video conferencing, phone calls, emails for communication.
- All off-island medical referrals to New Zealand are suspended. The option will be considered only for medical emergencies and be at the discretion of LBJ physicians.
- All public gatherings are suspended until further notice. This includes, but is not limited to, bingo halls, rallies, political events, theaters, traditional gatherings, parks and recreation areas, flight night gatherings, and major sponsored events. Only private family gatherings of no more than ten (10) people will be permitted. DPS is tasked with ensuring that public gatherings disperse. The public is advised that failure to obey this restriction will be prosecuted as a Class A misdemeanor under ASCA § 13.0323.
- All businesses will only be allowed to operate from 6am to 6pm. Only those businesses that impact food security are exempted from operating hours restrictions. Restaurants, bars, and nightclubs will be limited to no more than ten (10) person occupancy. Businesses are encouraged to keep their facilities sanitized. All drive-thru and takeaway restaurants may remain open until 10:00 pm daily. Further advisories will be issued from the Governor that may adjust restrictions on businesses as necessary.
- All public transportation services are to cease operations at 6pm except for buses under contract with Starkist to provide transportation for employees of the canneries. During hours of operation, buses and taxis must institute social distancing practices. Each bus and taxi may only operate at half the seating capacity. ASCA § 19.0114 is suspended and the authority to alter or revoke certificates of necessity is delegated to the Commissioner of DPS. This authority shall remain through the duration of the Public Health Emergency. All other hearing and appeal rights for revocation remain with the Commerce Commission.
- The Territorial Correctional Facility will be closed for visitation.
- Flights to Samoa are suspended until further notice.
  Entry permits for foreign nationals will continue to be suspended.
- All inbound travelers who are US Nationals/Citizens that are local residents and Legal Alien Residents are to show proof of American Samoa residency through local ID, hospital ID, or utility bill. Proof of residency will exempt them from the OK Board process.
- All other inbound travelers shall have an OK Board issued prior to traveling to American Samoa. OK Board requirements will include submission of copies of itinerary, passport (including stamped pages), payment of \$50 fee and effective April 1, 2020, a health clearance from a verifiable physician with proof of a negative COVID-19 test. Work related OK Boards will be considered but applications must include verification from employer.
- All requests are to be routed through the Office of the Attorney General with the approval authority solely vested in the Attorney General and if she is off-island all OK Board requests will be reviewed and approved by the Governor.
- All church meetings, services, and events are suspended until further notice effective April 3, 2020. The threat posed by the pandemic require drastic social distancing measures and churches are encouraged to continue worship services remotely via video conferencing technology.









## CODE YELLOW

With 1 confirmed case in American Samoa, this code will continue heightening restrictions to slow the spread of the disease within the Territory.



SITUATION: Enhance delayed entry of disease and response. COVID-19 has been identified and spreading in Foreign Countries and in the United States including Hawaii, Pacific Region, but not in Am. Samoa. Measures focus on delaying entry of the disease through community awareness/education and encouraging hand washing, cough etiquette and social distancing. Moderate disruption to society such as travel advisories and restrictions, public gatherings, guarantine and isolation.

- Community awareness continues to be a focus and the public is encouraged to maintain hygiene practices.
- Families will be encouraged to isolate with 1 designated family member to go to the store.
- All businesses will only be allowed to operate from 6am to 3pm.
- All restaurants will be allowed to provide take-out only and no dine-in service.
- The Hope House and Admitted Patients at LBJ will be closed for visitation.

- Unnecessary travel to affected areas will be limited.
- All ASG business travel is suspended.
- A Territorial Curfew of 9pm will be imposed. DPS and the Office of Samoan Affairs are tasked with enforcing the Territorial Curfew.







### CODE RED

In the event of severe spread of the disease locally, major protective measures will be enforced.



SITUATION: Mitigate Impact of COVID-19. Disease is severe AND is spreading widely. The health system is unable to cope with the situation. Major disruption to society such as school closures, work from home notices and disruption of law and order in the community. 1 CONFIRMED CASE in AM. SAMOA.

- All businesses will only be allowed to operate from 6am to 12pm.
- All passenger air and sea travel will be suspended.
- Ports of entry will be closed except for Military and approved air or sea cargo vessels.
- All public gatherings will be completely shut down.
- All ASG operations will be suspended except for first responders and essential employees.