Keeping Your Volunteers Safe

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To maintain a healthy volunteer force:

- Continue to promote everyday preventive actions.
- Ensure that your organization has supplies, such as hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, tissues, trash baskets, and disposable facemasks for staff, volunteers, and those you serve.
- Frequently clean surfaces and objects daily (e.g., tables, countertops, light switches, doorknobs, and cabinet handles) using detergent and water.
- Address the concerns of staff and volunteers who are at high risk for COVID-19 complications. Encourage staff and volunteers to consult with their healthcare provider about how to protect their health if they are at high risk for COVID-19 complications. Be prepared to address the health concerns and needs of those who are at high risk, such as older adults and those with underlying health conditions (for example, by allowing them to telework, if possible).
- Send sick staff members and volunteers home immediately.
- Encourage staff and volunteers who are sick to stay at home.