Airborne Illness Safety Protocol

Shut Down ICE VT Week of Action

Shut Down ICE VT is committed to making our spaces accessible to everyone, including disabled folks, working class folks who can't afford to miss shifts due to illness, and parents and caretakers of immunocompromised people, elders, children, and other vulnerable populations. Our week of action will take place at the beginning of flu season, and covid remains a risk with potentially devastating long term impact. We recognize that we are bringing folks from across the region and beyond together and into our Chittenden County community and are committed to minimizing the potential for such a gathering to spread illness. As such, we ask that participants:

1. **Wear a KN95 or N95 mask** (or one rated for higher protection) whenever possible during the week of action, especially when we are gathered in indoor spaces. Masks will be readily accessible throughout the convergence space!
    - We welcome folks to take their meals to ourdoor or less crowded spaces if unmasking in the main eating space is not comfortable or possible. Ask a member of our Solidarity and Space team for support finding a comfortable place if needed.
2. **Please take a covid test before you arrive or soon after arriving to the week of action**, and we encourage you to test regularly throughout the week. Tests will be readily accessible throughout the convergence space.
3. **Wash your hands** as frequently as possible, especially before meals. Hand sanitizer will be accessible throughout the convergence space but note that hand sanitizer does not kill viruses including covid and norovirus so is not a substitute for hand washing. Organizers will disinfect high touch surfaces often.
4. **If you do test positive** for covid or experience symptoms of another illness at any point, **please find an organizer, a member of the Solidarity and Space team, or a medic and let them know** so we can alert other attendees about their potential exposure. Know that your disclosure will be met with immense gratitude, and we'll keep your identity private.

Thanks for helping us keep our community safe and accessible!