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PHC iPack

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Public Health Corridors (PHC) Concept

- **Open flight routes** during the pandemic
- Ensure **continued flight operations** with **minimal restrictions** on aircraft operations
- **Prevent the spread** of COVID-19 through air travel
- Protect the **health and safety** of crew and passengers
- **Coordinated approach** with harmonized procedures and requirements

PHC implementation web site

- Electronic Bulletins and State Letters – links to all languages
- CART Guidance – reports and TOGD
- ICAO Manuals – Facilitation, Civil Aviation Medicine, Handbook for CAAs on the Management of Aviation Safety Risks related to COVID-19
- ICAO SARPs (Annexes and PANS) - relevant annexes
- Other Guidance – IATA and ACI
- Checklists and Templates
- Frameworks and Decision Aids
- Assessment and Accreditation, including airports
- Forms and Posters
- Online Reporting Systems and Tools – Global COVID-19 Airport Status, Flight Information App
- Training

ICAO Manual on COVID-19 Cross Border Risk Management

- Public Health Arrangements
- Elements of a PHC
- Crew journey through a PHC
- Principles for implementation
- Operational aspects
- Stakeholder and passenger communication



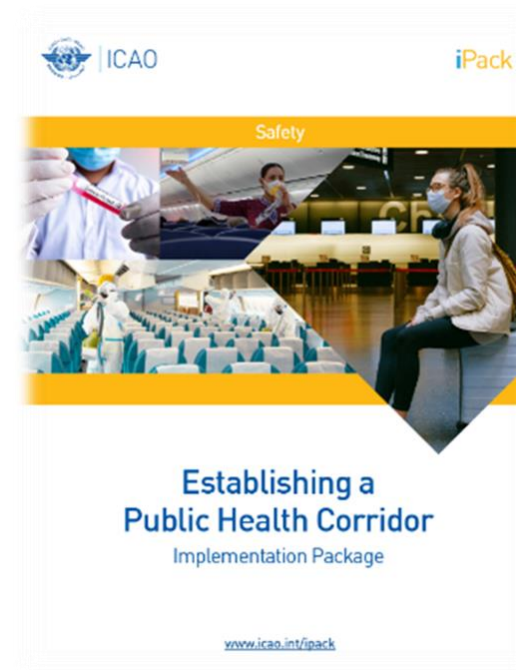
PHC Implementation Package (iPack)

Goal

Restore international travel through the implementation of Public Health Corridors by supporting Civil Aviation Authorities (CAAs) in sharing information, applying mutually accepted public health measures and concluding bilateral or multilateral agreements.

Target Audience:

- Civil Aviation Authorities; and/or
- Public Health Authorities;
- Other relevant national authorities e.g. Customs and Immigration; Aerodrome Operators;
- Aircraft Operators; and other relevant service providers.



PHC iPack components



Expert assistance

Dedicated Subject Matter Expert
(15 working days)



Training

- Public Health Corridor: Online Course;
- Conducting a Technical Assistance Visit to CAPSCA Member States and Airports: Online Course



Workshops

Introductory/familiarization webinars

2 x 3 hour workshops with Panel discussions and customized hands-on exercises



Tools

- Checklists;
- Frameworks;
- Decisions aids;
- Templates;
- Accreditation procedures;
- Forms and posters;
- Online reporting systems; and
- PHC Application



Guidance Material

- ICAO Testing and Cross-Border Risk Management Measures Manual
- CAPSCA partner guidance material
- Other associated guidance material.
- Relevant ICAO Annexes as well as the Procedures for Air Navigation Services – Air Traffic Management

Objectives

- Assess the **status of implementation** of COVID-19 public health mitigations measures in their States, conduct a gap analysis against the relevant ICAO SARPs, CART recommendations, CAPSCA and associated guidance material and determine an **action plan** for further improvement;
- Develop a **COVID-19 aviation risk assessment framework** in accordance with sovereign principles that integrates with existing national frameworks;
- Apply decision-making tools to **determine the risk** of transporting potentially infectious passengers or importing/ translocating the virus between States;

Objectives

- Mitigate the COVID-19 infection risk by implementing a multi-layer risk management strategy that is **evidence-based and performance-based**;
- **Share** public health risk mitigation measures and best practices with other States to encourage harmonization; and
- Engage in bilateral or multilateral **discussions with other States** to establish public health corridors between States.

ICAO HLCC Recommendation

- Endorse the PHC (Cargo Operations) concept developed by CAPSCA to be used as a **temporary measure during other disease outbreaks** with similar circumstances while noting that a PHC does not replace existing Air Services Agreements.
- Continue to adapt and provide for a quick response mechanism in ICAO that would issue urgent guidance to Member States in the event of an outbreak and develop **case-specific guidance** on how to implement a PHC for a particular outbreak, based on the available scientific evidence.
- Recognize the importance of the development of a **multi-scenario framework** for implementing PHCs safely during public health emergencies taking into account that PHCs are temporary arrangements that **must not undermine or be consistent with existing Air Services Agreements**.



Thank You!