

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 25, 2020

TO: Valued HBM Customer

FROM: Hawaiian Building Maintenance

RE: HBM COVID-19 Thanksgiving Memo

Wishing everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving! As we start the holiday season, we have a few precautionary reminders as we celebrate with family and friends.

CDC Thanksgiving Reminders

Travel can increase your chances of contracting the Coronavirus, with that in mind, please consider staying home for the holidays and not traveling as an option. If you are going to travel for Thanksgiving, we highly recommend following the guidelines below to mitigate the chance of contracting or spreading the virus:

Travel – Questions to consider prior to making travel arrangements:

- Will your traveling potentially put you or someone you're going to see in danger, due to being high risk?
- Are the cases where you are traveling considered high or low?
- If you have to check into a hospital where you are visiting, due to COVID, are they able to accommodate you or are they overwhelmed?
- Are there travel restrictions in place by the state or your company?

Attending a Thanksgiving Event – Please do this virtually, or, with people you live with, if possible, if not, please adhere to the following:

- Bring your own food, utensils, drinks, and cup:
 - One time use plates, utensils, and cups would be the best option
- Wear a mask while you are not eating
- Avoid the kitchen, unless you are preparing the food

Hosting a Thanksgiving Event - Please do this virtually, or, with people you live with, if possible, if not, please adhere to the following:

- Have the meal outside, if possible:

- If it has to be inside, open windows for fresh air
- Limit your guest list (check your county's social gathering rules)
- Let your guests know your expectations before entering
- Clean surfaces thoroughly before and after the event, especially high touch areas
- Limit the number of people in the kitchen for food preparation. For example, only one person serves the food if it is a shared meal, and use single use plates and utensils

Hawaii's rules for Thanksgiving

For rules and regulations specific to the Hawaiian islands please reference each island's standing order for social gatherings. Please reference the following:

Oahu - <https://www.oneoahu.org/reopening-strategy>

Big Island - Under the county's emergency rules, gatherings with people from multiple households cannot have more than 10 people. And even at that size, masks and social distancing are encouraged.

Maui - Social gatherings are limited to 10 people.

Kauai - <https://www.kauai.gov/covid-19>

Information

As always, practice social distancing (if possible), wear a mask (when not eating or drinking), and frequently wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Resources

CDC:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays/thanksgiving.html>

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CDC posters:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/daily-life-coping/everyone_can_make_thanksgiving_safer.html.pdf

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/daily-life-coping/consider_other_thanksgiving_activities.html.pdf

Hawaii News Now:

<https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/2020/11/23/heres-how-big-your-thanksgiving-gathering-can-be-each-county/>

City and County sites:

<https://www.oneoahu.org/reopening-strategy>

<https://www.kauai.gov/covid-19>