



American Therapeutic Recreation Association

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ATRA's Official Statement on the COVID-19 Health Crisis

ATRA recognizes that COVID-19 is a very serious public health concern and we are continuing to monitor up-to-date information from the [Centers for Disease Control](#), the [World Health Organization](#), and the [United States Department of Health and Human Services](#). Our primary focus is on the health, safety, and well-being of all recreational therapists and those we serve.

While we currently do not have concerns regarding our conference in September, we understand that there are recreational therapy conferences that have canceled and others that are considering canceling. We would encourage all conference coordinators and planning committees to discuss the most prudent path for their conference with state, local, and national authorities.

Additionally, ATRA is in the process of contacting conference organizers and offering our assistance in regards to making educational opportunities available online. We want to ensure our members that we are working vigilantly to ensure that the content you need is made available to you.

We strongly encourage all conferences to follow recommendations and best practices from these entities. Additionally, we recommend that recreational therapists protect themselves and their patients by following [steps to prevention](#) as proposed by the CDC.

For additional information, please contact us at info@atra-online.com.