

## **COVID-19 Specific Risk Assessment**

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our studios, we have completed the following assessment and implemented a Response Plan and Safe Plan. For further details on each aspect please read the accompanying documentation THE RESPONSE PLAN and SAFE PLAN.

Covid-19 is a new illness that can affect your lungs and airways. It is caused by a virus called Coronavirus. Signs and symptoms include; fever, coughing, sore throat, fatigue and shortness of breath. For further information visit https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/

Organisation	Westside Performing Arts (All venues considered in Risk Assessment)	
Date	July 2020	
Purpose	Assess the risk of spread in the studios and implement measures to prevent the spread to protect staff and	
	students.	

RISK DISCRIPTION	CONTROL MEASURES	ACTION OWNER (ie person responsible for action)
Lack of knowledge on how to prevent the	Copy of Safe Plan and Response Plan and measures sent to all	Management
spread •	Staff and Students. Including identifying signs and symptoms.	-1:
Awareness of preventing spread	Ensure all staff have completed WHO course	Management and individual teachers
Preventing the spread of COVID-19	<ul> <li>strategies to limit time and person-to-person contact on site should be implemented</li> <li>no use of changing rooms or shower amenities</li> <li>toilets will remain open and will be cleaned regularly</li> <li>arrive dressed and ready for class or rehearsal wherever possible</li> <li>arrive on time, leave on time. maintain good hygiene practices</li> <li>eat off-site where possible</li> </ul>	Management

	<ul> <li>all students and personnel maintain at least 2m apart</li> </ul>	
	FACILTIES and BUSINESS:  Hand sanitizer in each room  Class arrival times will be staggered to prevent congregation  All studios have access to window/shutter for flow of air  Building will be clearly marked to highlight COVID-19 preventative Practice and social distance markings.  Regular cleaning of toilets and shared surfaces, common use equipment and high-touch points  Cleaning of studio spaces between classes  Clear COVID-19 Signage  No access to the building for parents or carers etc  Contactless payments	Management and individual teachers
	MAINTAINING GOOD HYGEINE FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS:	
Aspiration	<ul> <li>not attend activities if feeling unwell</li> <li>frequent hand washing or using alcohol-based sanitisers</li> <li>not sharing water bottles or personal equipment</li> <li>avoid touching their face. limit touching of surfaces</li> <li>limiting the use of shared equipment or cleaning after use</li> <li>covering sneezes and coughs</li> <li>as changing rooms and shower amenities must remain closed, how to refresh clothing at regular intervals or when it has become wet with sweat must be considered (esp. in case of floor or contact work or in cases of dancing for an extended duration)</li> <li>Westside will ensure there is suitable sanitation products available for students, personnel, and guests. Adequate sanitisation may include: bathroom with fresh water, soap and clean paper towels; and/or alcohol-based hand sanitiser.</li> </ul>	ARTS

	RECORDS:  Contact log of all people who are on site to help with contact tracing Attendance records for students Back to Work form for ALL staff to assess their safe return Back to Class Form for ALL students to assess their safe return	
Suspected covid-19 cases	Any person presenting with an elevated temperature should or other symptoms will be:	
	<ul> <li>Isolated and managed by the designated personal responsible for dealing with suspected cases.</li> </ul>	Eimear M and Jody E
	<ul> <li>Full PPE will be available for such instances</li> <li>Person to be sent home immediately to isolate or kept in an isolated area until they can be collected make contact with local doctor.</li> </ul>	Management
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