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The United States Antarctic Program – COVID-19 Safety Pledge

I understand that maintaining safe conditions and keeping Antarctica COVID-19 free is everyone's responsibility, including mine.

I WILL

- wear my personal protective equipment (PPE) at all times when/where required and expect my co-workers to do the same.
- frequently wash and sanitize my hands at work, in my dorm and when in common areas.
- call medical staff immediately if I have a fever or any other symptom associated with COVID-19 (including cough, new loss of smell or taste, headache, chills, sore throat, shortness of breath, nausea, or vomiting).
- follow USAP and gateway government quarantine requirements.
- follow USAP station and vessel COVID-19 response level requirements while deployed (*EM-SOP-0002*).
- alert my supervisor if I cannot perform my work safely or if I observe unsafe conditions or behaviors.
- support others in my team and make every effort to be part of the solution as I recognize that this is a stressful and overwhelming time for many.

An outbreak of COVID-19 in our Antarctic community could be devastating to me, my colleagues, community and the USAP mission. I understand that breaking this pledge could be considered a Code of Conduct violation. I acknowledge that while it may be challenging, I understand the consequences (and risk to those around me) of not upholding my pledge and I commit fully to the above actions.

Participant Name (printed): _____ Organization/Event: _____

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____