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Denver International Airport Increases Efforts to Help Keep Passengers and Employees Healthy

Passengers urged to follow guidance from CDC and public health officials and to take reasonable precautions to avoid getting sick

DENVER – Mar. 2, 2020 – While Denver International Airport (DEN) is not one of the 20 airports being screened by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, the safety and well-being of our passengers and employees is our number one priority. In an effort to ensure that passengers feel comfortable traveling and working, DEN has made several proactive enhancements to our facility and our cleaning procedures. The airport also conducts drills regularly with our municipal partners to respond quickly and appropriately to emergencies.

“We are actively monitoring and assessing the potential impacts of the coronavirus and working closely with our local and federal partners and our airlines to reduce the risk to our passengers,” said airport CEO Kim Day. “While we are providing hygiene assistance for our passengers, we strongly urge everyone to follow guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, including normal best practices to prevent the spread of germs.”

Specifically, DEN’s enhancements in place or coming soon to help protect our passengers and employees include:

- Installing sanitary wipes in jet bridges to allow passengers to then sanitize their seat on the plane.
- Adding additional stations where passengers and employees can access free hand sanitizer. This includes the TSA security lines and information booths. Some airlines have hand sanitizer in the boarding areas as well.
- Increasing the frequency and intensity of efforts to disinfect washrooms and other public areas with cleaning agents intended to kill germs.
- DEN has already been sanitizing the trains to the gates daily and will continue to do so with an even stronger focus to kill germs.
- DEN has also already been using passenger checkpoint screening trays treated with powerful antimicrobial technology to inhibit the growth of bacteria and viruses on the surface of the bins used by travelers at the TSA checkpoints.

In addition, we urge all passengers and employees to thoroughly wash their hands with soap regularly for at least 20 seconds, utilize our hand sanitizer stations and cough and sneeze into their elbow. All of these are easy and effective ways to avoid contracting or transmitting common colds, flu and other viruses.

As the situation with Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) evolves, DEN will continue to review best practices and make additional enhancements as needed in order to reduce the spread of germs. In the meantime, we encourage our passengers to get the latest information about the coronavirus from the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov) or [Denver Department of Public Health and Environment](https://www.denvergov.org/health).

Denver International Airport is the fifth-busiest airport in the United States. With more than 69 million passengers traveling through the airport each year, DEN is one of the busiest airline hubs in the world’s largest aviation market. DEN is the primary economic engine for the state of Colorado, generating more than \$33 billion for the region annually. For more information visit www.FlyDenver.com, check us out on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com), like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) and follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com).

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