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## COVID-19 and Commission on Dental Accreditation Site Visits

**The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) has made a decision to CANCEL and RESCHEDULE all remaining site visits that were to occur prior to April 10, 2020.** The Commission is aware that programs and site visitors place a great amount of time and effort into preparing for an accreditation site visit. However, the Commission believes the safety of educational personnel and its volunteer site visitors is of the utmost importance.

The Commission will continue to monitor travel restrictions for programs and its site visitors and will notify all affected parties when updates are made. Visits to occur prior to April 10, 2020 will be rescheduled to a date later this year. Please await a communication from the Commission office related to a future site visit date.

The Commission has requested that programs notify the Commission staff immediately if the program/institution you plan to visit prohibits visitation or will be in a period of interrupted education during a scheduled visit. CODA will base its rescheduling on your availability as well as the availability of the program.

We do understand that travel at this time is a personal decision for you as a CODA volunteer, so if you choose to cancel your participation for a scheduled site visit please let us know **immediately**. Please also inform us immediately if your employer imposes a travel ban, which impacts your ability to serve as a CODA site visitor. In either case, contact the CODA office, Fox Travel and the hotel as soon as possible to cancel your arrangements.

For current information regarding COVID-19, visit the [CDC COVID-19 webpage](#) and the [Fox World Travel coronavirus webpage](#).

Additional updates on the rescheduling of visits and outlook of additional spring 2020 visits will be provided when available. In the meantime, if you have further questions, please contact the [Commission office](#).

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