

CIHT Meetings: Policy regarding COVID-19

This note is intended to clarify CIHT's position on attendance at CIHT meetings (including but not limited to Committee, Council, Board, Panel and AGM(s))in the light of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak.

Having monitored government and World Health Organisation advice, our policy on travel both for attendees, is as follows:

Do not attend a CIHT meeting if you

- have been infected or if you have been in close contact with someone who has a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- have travelled to the UK from any of the countries listed on the GOV.UK website in the last 14 days https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public#returning-travellers

or

- have flu-like symptoms
- would prefer to avoid travelling on public transport or attending a public event due to an underlying health condition that puts you at increased risk should you contract the virus (e.g. high blood pressure, heart disease or diabetes).

Please contact the relevant CIHT contact (meeting organiser) or info@ciht.org.uk immediately if you fall into one of these categories.

Travel restrictions

We are aware that some employers have imposed travel restrictions on staff. If you are unable to attend a meeting for business reasons, please contact the relevant CIHT contact (meeting organiser) or info@ciht.org.uk immediately.

Meeting hygiene rules

We are asking attendees not to shake hands and we will be cleaning surfaces between meetings in line with government guidelines.

Rearranging meetings

Where numbers of attendees are below those to make a meeting quorate due to the COVID-19 outbreak, CIHT will postpone the meeting and seek to reschedule as soon as possible. For regional / national AGM(s) please contact governance@ciht.org.uk for further info on appropriate procedures

Further information

If you are worried about COVID-19 symptoms, call NHS 111 or go to the NHS 111 coronavirus advice website. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment.

The latest advice and developments on the covid-19 situation can be found on the GOV.UK website.

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