



APTA HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITMENTS PROGRAM

The health and safety of transit passengers and employees is the most important priority for public transportation agencies. The coronavirus pandemic and its impact on our industry have underscored this principle and challenged us to develop innovative solutions. As the work continues to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, our industry will speak with a single voice about its commitment to transit users.

The APTA Health & Safety Commitments Program is designed to help public transit agencies put in place their own, individualized policies and practices that transit users have told us they want and expect. The Program defines four core categories of responsibilities – for every transit agency and for their passengers – making this a true partnership for health and safety.

By agreeing to participate in the Program, my agency pledges to address the following areas:

Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO):

METRO Customers:

We follow CDC, State, and Local guidance whenever possible.	We follow Federal, State, Local, and METRO guidance.
We deep clean high-touch surfaces and disinfect our buses, ParaCruz vehicles, and facilities.	We always wear a face covering properly when at a bus stop and when riding the bus. We never remove our face covering while riding the bus. We follow CDC guidance and wash our hands.
We provide useful COVID-19 prevention information and resources to support safe travel.	We adjust our travel time to the off-peak whenever possible to help reduce the number of people on a bus.
Our employees use PPE; adjust the air flow within the bus to increase the exchange of outside air; deploy the protective clear curtain; provide hand sanitizer dispensers on the bus; and don't come to work sick.	We don't ride sick; observe physical distancing from bus operators/drivers and others; don't sit in blocked seats; and don't talk when riding the bus.

Additionally, we agree to stay current with changes to these commitments as guidance and science regarding the pandemic continue to evolve.


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