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Virtual Meeting on the Aviation Recovery - Public Health Corridors (PHC) Implementation in the CAR Region

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*Overview of Aviation Recovery activities in the
NAM/CAR Regions*

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Aviation recovery activities

CART Phase III (January to March 2021)

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Mandate

- provide recommendations and guidance to States to support their endeavors when restarting and recovering the aviation industry and to help them cope with the significant fallouts caused by the prolonged duration of the crisis.
- It is also important to note the positive developments brought by the growing medical and scientific evidence on vaccination and by technological advancements



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NACC States and Industry Agreement for the Aviation recovery

Committing to the CART measures, North American, Central American and Caribbean (NACC) Directors:

- agreed on the NACC Strategic Approach as an initial approach
- will continue effective and timely communications, jointly with the industry and ICAO, to keep everybody updated on the evolution of the pandemic and its effects.
- will continue optimizing efforts and support actions to restart and recover aviation due to the effects of the COVID-19 in the NAM/CAR/SAM Regions, and agree to support activities and application of the GIR, following-up on the progress of their Administrations through the CRRIC.



ICAO NACC Regional Office during the Pandemic period support NAM and CAR States through the following actions:

- Assist States with the business continuity of their aviation sector as well as with their responses
- to aviation aspects of COVID-19
 - • Provide emergency advice to States, Territories and International Organizations
 - • Provide a regional forum to serve NACC States to discuss and share actions and best practices
- Guidance to States and Territories on regulatory, operational and other implementation matters
- Personalized State support on implementation of CART Measures and its reporting
- Guidance to States on regulatory compliance deviations
- Sharing of individual State/Territory decisions that may affect international operations
- Funding support strategies assistance



Aviation recovery activities

ICAO COVID-19 Response and Recovery Implementation Centre (CRRIC) Webinar – Recent Updates, 20 January 2021.

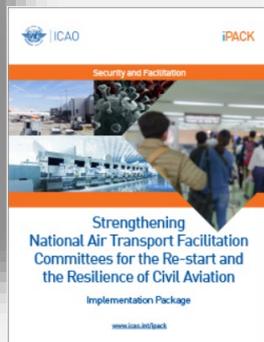
CAR/SAM Webinar on “Operations restart, fighting COVID-19, what’s next...?” - Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA) - 22 April 2021

Virtual Meeting on "Implementation of Public Health Corridors (PHC) in the CAR Region – Presentation of Mol, 14 September 2021

HLCC: Includes strengthening of CAPSCA framework, improved collaboration and communication, lessons learned from challenges experienced during pandemic in implementation of public health mitigation measures and PHCs, October 2021

Available iPacks

iPack



- Aviation Safety Risk Management
- Facilitation
- Aerodrome Restart
- Aviation Security Quality Oversight
- Establishing Public Health Corridors

- **Coming soon**
- Air Cargo Safety Management
- Developing Nat'l Safety Plans
- Maintaining NOTAM



Implementation Packages i-Packs

ASRM i-Pack (aviation safety risk management)

- Costa Rica, Honduras and Guatemala (May thru beginning of August)
- El Salvador and Nicaragua (from June thru September)
- Barbados, Belize, Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago (from 27 September thru 10 December)
- Mexico (from May thru August)
- ECCAA/ OECS States (planned)

ADRM restart i-Pack (Airport Restart)

- Belize (27 of July to 02 of September 2021)
- Other 5 Central American States
- ECCAA/ OECS States (4th August 2021 to 31st August 2021)

FAL iPack: OECS States/ ECCAA (planned)

AVSEC iPacks: Bahamas and El Salvador (planned)

PHC i-Pack for the Eastern Caribbean states, September 2021



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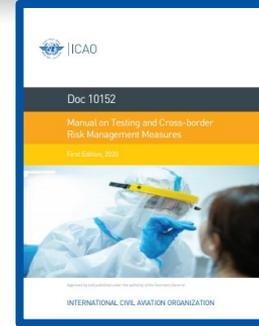
- 10 key principles
- 20 recommendations

- Public Health
- Aviation safety
- Security & Facilitation
- Testing & Vaccination
- Public Health Corridors
- Communication
- Economic



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- General measures
- 4 modules (Airport, aircraft, crew, cargo)
- Hazardous waste
- Mental health
- Forms
- Posters



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- Risk management
- Epidemiology
- Testing
- Quarantine
- Vaccination
- Implementation
- PHC



PHC iPack deployed

Restore international travel by supporting CAAs in sharing information, applying mutually accepted public health measures and concluding bilateral or multilateral agreements



- **Name change:** Manual on COVID-19 Multilayer Cross-border Risk Management
- Updated **recommendations** 13 (testing), 17 (certificate validation) ,18 (air crew vaccination) and 19 (exemptions for fully vaccinated individuals)
- Revised section on **testing** (role of testing, use of antigen testing, previous infection)
- Revised section on **vaccination** (types of vaccines, administration, exemptions)
- New “**Certificate of recovery**”: data set and operational procedure for validation
- New section on **variants** and possible immune escape
- “**Traffic light system**” of risk management updated to include % of non-immune persons
- Addition of **ACI** accreditation programme **and IATA** checklists
- Update of **PHC** with lessons learned from implementation
- New chapter on **transition** in the future from crisis management to “normal routine” operations, lessons learned and **applying innovations**



The knowns

- Reduce the number and severity of cases
- Protective effect for individuals
- Plays a role in bringing the pandemic under control
- May also play an important role in aviation recovery as the vaccinated proportion of the global population increases over time.
- Should not be mandatory
- Should not be a requirement for travel

The unknowns and problems

- Global access
- Effectiveness against virus transmission
- Extent and duration of immunity
- Different vaccines
- Emergence of Variants of Concern

The solution

- Ongoing monitoring of evidence
- Update multilayer risk mitigation framework and other ICAO tools
- Publish additional guidance material

Public Health Corridors (PHCs)

- A PHC opens one or more routes between cities, regions and States
- Also referred to as ‘travel bubbles’ or ‘air bridges’
- Necessitates sharing of information and bilateral/ multilateral discussions
- harmonization of measures
- Formed through mutual recognition of public health mitigation measures between States
- ICAO facilitates implementation of PHCs through the ICAO Implementation Package (iPack) on establishing a PHC
- Pre-requisite – attendance of different departments & stakeholders
- Sharing of iPacks between States
- Considering developing high-level iPack for application on a regional basis



Overview of the PHC iPack Components

COMPONENTS:



Expert assistance

Dedicated CAPSCA Subject Matter Expert (15 work days).



Training

- Public Health Corridor: Online Course;
- Conducting a Technical Assistance Visit to CAPSCA Member States and Airports: Online Course.



Workshops

Public Health Corridor: customized workshop

Introductory/familiarization webinars;

Panel discussions and customized hands-on exercises.



Tools

- Checklists;
- Framework;
- Decisions aids;
- Templates;
- Accreditation procedures;
- Forms and posters;
- Online reporting systems; and
- PHC Application.



Guidance Material

- ICAO Testing and Cross-Border Risk Management Measures Manual;
- CAPSCA partner guidance material;
- Other associated guidance material; and
- Relevant ICAO Annexes.



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