

UNITED STATES WATER FITNESS ASSOCIATION

A non-profit, educational organization

Our motto is: The Health, Safety and Security of our Participants including our Instructions is our Top Priority!

USWFA Members Newsletter

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1. Good News from the CDC

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is a federal agency that conducts and supports health promotion, prevention, and preparedness activities in the United States, with the goal of improving overall public health. Established in 1946 and based in Atlanta, the CDC is managed by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).
- CDC has released guidance on Covid-19 and water transmission, including information on recreational water transmission. We encourage you to share this information with your organizations and others who may have questions about Covid-19 spreading through water.

- Specifically, the CDC guidance states:

"There is no evidence that Covid-19 can be spread to humans through the use of pool and hot tubs. Proper operation, maintenance, and disinfection (e.g., with chlorine and bromine) of pools and hot tubs should remove or inactivate the virus that causes Covid-19."

- This guidance and other water-related guidance can be found at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html. For more information about CDC's recommendations for proper operation, maintenance, and disinfection of public pools, visit www.cdc.gov/healthywater/swimming/aquatics-professionals/operating-public-swimming-pools.html.
- Also, great information is available from The Council for the Model Aquatic Health Code.

2. Why Water?

For years, we have been promoting aquatic programs but not why water is so important! The USWFA is promoting Why Water? and encourages you to work hard at promoting Why Water? Below are listed three thoughts about this subject.

Why Water?

One of our major efforts is "to help sell people" on **Why Water**. Please help us to promote this effort by sharing these ideas with as many people as possible!

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