

U.S. Policy Council

Policy Positions on Facial Coverings & Passenger Health Screening Related to COVID-19

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Ensuring the health, safety, and security of the travelling public and airport workers is always an airport's top priority. As such, North American airports responded quickly to help contain the spread of COVID-19. Airports continue to take aggressive steps to protect everyone traveling through their facilities and their employees. >>

ACI-NA Policy Positions

Facial Coverings

Given the extraordinary nature of the current COVID-19 pandemic, in order to provide for the health and safety of passengers and airport employees, to instill confidence in those who work or travel through America's airports, and consistent with guidance provided by public health officials in both Canada and the U.S., ACI-NA urges the Federal government to adopt guidelines for the use of facial coverings by all individuals in the public areas of passenger airport terminals.

Absent Federal guidelines, ACI-NA supports state and local guidelines that all individuals in the public areas of passenger airport terminals wear facial coverings over their nose and mouth during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Passenger Health Screenings

Any health screening measures, including temperature checks, should be backed by medical evidence and national standards, performed by Federal government officials and minimize the impact on airport operations.