

## Citizen Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) – 2020 Sampling

\*\*\* PLEASE READ \*\*\* Important Information for 2020 CSLAP Sampling Activities

When participating in CSLAP sampling, please follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and State Department of Health (DOH) guidelines for preventing the spread of colds, flu, and COVID-19. **Periodically check CDC and DOH websites for updated guidance and recommendations:**

- CDC website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- DOH website: <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home>

The current health crisis of COVID-19 in New York is evolving on a daily basis. **Periodically check Governor Cuomo's website** <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home> for updates.

Based on CDC and DOH guidance, volunteers should consider how social distancing may be maintained while conducting sampling and how shared equipment will be handled and cleaned. For example, volunteers may want to assign sampling equipment to specific volunteers during sampling events and disinfect equipment before sharing. Examples of equipment that, if shared, should be disinfected:

- Secchi disk;
- Rope or measuring tape attached to equipment;
- Thermometer;
- Outside surface of Kemmerer and spigot;
- Outside surface of collapsible cube;
- Paddle handles and shafts;
- Anchor and rope;
- Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs), including clasp and outside surface;
- Cooler handles and outside surfaces;
- Pens, pencils and clipboards.

Disinfectants and disinfecting products should be used on outside surfaces only and according to EPA guidance and product label directions: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>