

## NATIONAL WILDFIRE COORDINATING GROUP

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TO: NWCG Executive Board Members

FROM: Frank Guzman, Chair, NWCG Executive Board

SUBJECT: NWCG Infectious Disease Guidance for Wildland Fire Incidents

The purpose of this memo is to release the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) Infectious Disease Guidance for Wildland Fire Incidents (<a href="https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/emergency-medical-committee/infectious-diseases-guidelines">https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/emergency-medical-committee/infectious-diseases-guidelines</a>). This guidance, developed by the NWCG Emergency Medical Committee (EMC), provides recommendations for infectious disease prevention, planning, identification, and response during wildland fire incident management activities. It does not supersede the guidance or direction of local health authorities but supplements existing direction from them.

This guidance may be updated as appropriate and necessary to respond to evolving situations and work conditions.

Please distribute this information through your agency channels.

Please contact the Emergency Medical Committee with any questions, https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/emergency-medical-committee/roster.

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