Preventing human-to-bat transmission of SARS-CoV-2

for bat rehabilitation

Exposure Risk

- **Contact exposure**
  Bats coming into contact with contaminated hands or equipment

- **Aerosol exposure**
  Infectious droplets from handler holding bats in close proximity

- **Environmental exposure**
  Sharing enclosed, poorly ventilated spaces with bats, where virus may persist in the air or on surface

Mitigation Strategies

- **Minimize**
  Direct contact with bats by keeping handling to a minimum, use face masks, gloves, and closed containers for transportation

- **Assess**
  The risk you may pose of exposing bats to SARS-CoV-2 and avoid contact with bats if you have or suspect you have COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone with or suspected to have COVID-19

- **Protect**
  Bats by modifying collection, rehabilitation and release practices to reduce exposure to SARS-CoV-2

MAP your plan to prevent transmission to bats

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