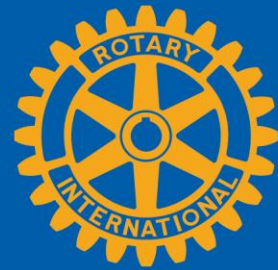


COVID-19 Guidance for Districts



Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, your district is likely considering alternatives to in-person meetings for training, including president-elect training seminar (PETS) and district training assembly (DTA), and district conferences. Here are some suggestions, ideas and resources for district governors, district governors-elect, district trainers and other district leaders:

Training Meetings

Online

If you decide to hold your meetings online, consider these recommendations:

- Encourage participants to complete the learning plan for their role in the [Rotary Learning Center](#) (see the [catalog](#) for direct links to the learning plans).
- Hold at least three one-hour, online meetings to cover [Rotary's strategic plan](#), the roles and responsibilities of the participants, and goals for the year.
- RI has prepared [suggested content for online PETS and DTA](#) to help with your training preparation.
- Follow all other guidelines for district training meetings, noting that a DGE can determine if the training is sufficient for a club president to take office ([Standard Rotary Club Constitution](#) Article 11, Section 5 c).
- Try an online meeting product like [Zoom Video](#). They offer a free version with a 45-minute time limit. Rotary and Rotaract members can get a special discount on Zoom through Rotary Global Rewards via on.rotary.org/zoom.

Rescheduling

If you decide to postpone your training to any time before the end of June, consider these recommendations:

- Encourage participants to complete the learning plan for their role in the [Rotary Learning Center](#) (see the [catalog](#) for direct links to the learning plans).
- Make sure to cover [Rotary's strategic plan](#), the roles and responsibilities of the participants, and goals for the year.
- Follow all other guidelines for district training meetings, noting that a DGE can determine if the training is sufficient for a club president to take office ([Standard Rotary Club Constitution](#) Article 11, Section 5 c).

Learning Center

Governors-elect and district trainers can access reports in the Learning Center to help your district reach its learning goals. These reports tell you who has enrolled in, started, and completed Learning Center courses. To use these reports, first complete

the [Access to Learning Center Reports course](#). The first report will be sent to you by email within two weeks of completing the course.

District Conferences

If your local government discourages or prohibits gatherings due to COVID-19, or you and your fellow district leaders deem it appropriate, please consider the following options for District conferences:

- Postpone until any time before the end of June, cancel and hold an online event, or plan a joint 2019-20/2020-21 conference for the future.
- Any election or district business that was going to be handled at the district conference can be handled via a club ballot ([RI Bylaws](#) Article 15.050.4).
- All Rotary-funded travel has been suspended through the end of April. If your conference was assigned a President's Representative, contact Presidential.Services@rotary.org regarding any changes or cancellations.

District Elections

If you have yet to select a DGN or COL representative, consider the following options:

- If your district uses a nominating committee, the committee may hold its meetings online.
- If your district votes at a district conference and the conference is postponed or cancelled, you may use a club ballot instead ([RI Bylaws](#) Article 15.040.5).

Other Resources

Here are some additional resources for you and your clubs:

- Look [here](#) for information on how Rotary monitors the coronavirus impact.
- District 6690 created a [helpful page](#) full of links and resources.
- Rotarians are sharing stories and tips on the [Rotary Voices blog](#).
- Your [Club and District Support team](#). Let us know how we can help!