

CPT Iraqi Kurdistan Delegation

May 29 to June 10, 2022

Requirements for delegates before the delegation starts:

We ask all delegates to bring a Covid-19 vaccination certificate (with preferably a booster shot), and to take a PCR test within 72 hours before their arrival to Iraqi Kurdistan (for those traveling from abroad) or 48 hours before the start of the delegation (for delegates who do not cross international borders to join). A vaccination certificate and a PCR test taken no more than 72 hours before arrival are also among the current entry requirements for Iraqi Kurdistan.

We would like to ask delegates to minimize, as much as their life and work situation allows, an exposure to other people and potential Covid-19 infection, and if possible to self-isolate, for a week prior to the start of the delegation or their travel to IK.

If possible, please obtain a travel health insurance that covers Covid-19 treatment. CPT will not be able to cover any health expenses that might occur during the delegation.

Those who will be traveling from abroad, please buy refundable and/or changeable fare tickets. In case of an outbreak of a new Covid-19 strain, imposition of new governmental restrictions, or other non-Covid related reasons (etc. lower than minimal number of delegation participants), we reserve the right to cancel the delegation before it starts.

During delegation:

CPT delegations can not provide individual accommodation or ensure social distancing. The delegates will be sharing rooms, eat meals together, discuss and process together, and visit CPT's partners, some of whom live in the cities, and others in remote villages. We want to

minimize the risk of exposing our partners to Covid-19 infection as well as have a successful delegation. During visits, we will ask everyone to wear surgical masks/respirators. (Please bring enough masks/respirators to last for the duration of the delegation). We will provide hand sanitizers and will ask delegates to use them frequently. Based on need, CPT will plan a PCR test for everyone to take within the first several days of the delegation as well at a later date.

If anyone shows Covid-19 infection related symptoms, the person will be asked to isolate and take a PCR test. If the test is negative and then the delegation will continue as planned.

In case of a positive test, CPT will provide a space where people will be able to isolate and will designate a person to support them. If Covid-19 starts spreading among multiple delegates, the CPT team will decide to change the delegation's schedule and cancel all remaining travel and visits. As much as possible the team will try to offer alternative activities that would minimize the exposure of the community and CPT partners to Covid-19.

For leaving Iraqi Kurdistan, a PCR taken within 48 hours of the departure, is required.

CPT will cover the PCR tests costs in Iraqi Kurdistan.

In case of a positive test result before departure (which would result in a prohibition of air travel), CPT will assist in arranging accommodation, basic life necessities and support for up to 3 days (negotiable) past the delegation's end date.