

SAFE PRACTICES - SUCCESSFUL FILM PRODUCTIONS

HOW A MULTI-LAYERED COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL APPROACH HAS SAFELY GUIDED THE HOLLYWOOD ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY BACK TO BUSINESS

For months, Hollywood has struggled to get back to business. The coronavirus pandemic halted TV and film sets as production organizations grappled with the enormous task, as employers, of providing safe workplaces in a pre-vaccine world. The Directors Guild of America (DGA), International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE), International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) and the Basic Crafts, and Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA) have released “The Safe Way Forward”, a Multi-Union Report on COVID-19 Safety Guidelines. With their combined guidance, productions continue to

lack the capacity and resources to independently meet the science-based protocols and COVID-19 medical management for film and television casts and crews.

Now, with the support of a third-party medical provider, who is able to offer preventive medicine and public health expertise with independent COVID-19 medical management, productions can successfully adopt safe return to work processes which mitigate the potential for the spread of infectious disease, and enable manageable procedural standards to ensure the continued safety of the workforce.



HOW IT'S DONE

While “The Safe Way Forward” outlines detailed expectations for use of personal protective equipment and cleaning and disinfecting work sites, the purpose of this publication shall highlight the multi-layered comprehensive medical aspects of compliance with the established guidelines and services provided to the production by the third-party medical provider.

THE HEALTH SAFETY SUPERVISOR (HSS)

As referred to in the industry white paper as the “COVID-19 Compliance Officer”, the Health Safety Supervisor holds responsibility for COVID-19-related health safety for the production. Such role is the final authority on COVID matters and cannot be overruled in their efforts and activities to enforce COVID-19-related safety practices. The HSS coordinates the necessary COVID-related medical staff and oversees all aspects of medical management to include:



Zoned Testing

- Assigning medical personnel to designated posts
- Gathering biological material for transport to the testing lab
- Collecting/maintaining all related documentation
- Receives confidential testing results
- Responsible for notification of positive COVID -19 test results



Daily Attestation

- Daily screening for cast and crew for symptoms and potential exposure to individuals who may have symptoms consistent with COVID-19



Case Management

- Health support, including medical monitoring of ill or exposed cast and crew

- Facilitation of return to work clearances upon recovery



Contact Tracing

- Investigation
- Tracing
- Support
- Isolation



Compliance

- Monitors cast, crew, catering and craft services for compliance with zone protocols
- Assessment of ventilation, air filtration, circulation, disinfection of surfaces, property, equipment and tools
- Coordinates placement of hand washing, sanitizing and disinfection stations and medical posts
- Provides instruction at daily safety meetings



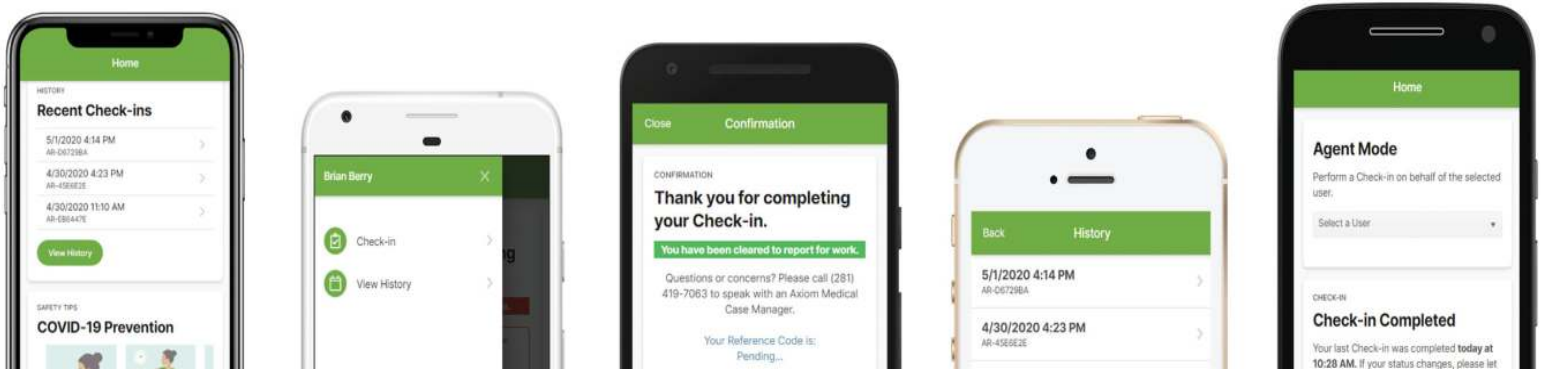
SAFE PRACTICES - SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES WITH AXIOM MEDICAL COVID-19 FILM PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT

Understanding the unique COVID-19 challenges that would be faced by the film industry, Axiom Medical developed COVID-19 On-site Production services for COVID-19 testing and medical management in June 2020.

The team consists of Axiom's highly credentialed Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Scott Cherry, who is board certified in Preventive Medicine and Public Health, Occupational and Environmental Medicine and a distinguished Fellow in the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. In addition, we provide COVID-19 Health Safety Supervisors and licensed medical professionals working closely together. The health and safety team effectively and efficiently support production

and crew members return to work safely and help mitigate the potential for the spread of infectious disease.

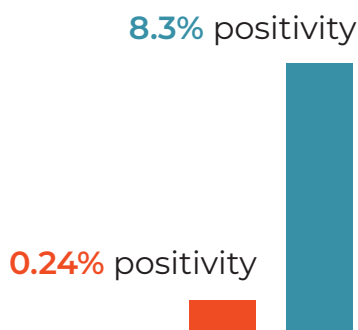
Axiom has deployed a multi-layered comprehensive medical approach. It consists of not only zoned mandatory COVID-19 testing, but also utilization of Axiom's cutting edge CheckIn2Work app, a first of its kind technology providing workplace point-of-entry protection and case management through our experienced staff of medical professionals. The app delivers a quick and easy self-service health attestation for production organizations, prescreening cast and crew daily for potentially infectious or contagious conditions before allowing access to the workplace.



As an additional step to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, Axiom Medical case manages affected cast and crew, providing:

- Health support, including medical monitoring of ill or exposed cast and crew
- Contact tracing with investigation, tracing, support and isolation of those who may have been exposed
- 24/7 telephone access to licensed medical professionals
- Facilitation of return to work clearances, once affected cast and crew have recovered
- Ongoing education and best practices to reduce the spread of illness in the workplace

In compliance with established health and safety zoning standards and medically approved protocols, Axiom Medical has performed **3278 tests** to date with results returning, on average, within 72 hours from receipt of the collected specimen.



Axiom Production Testing Positivity vs. Community 7-Day Positivity

The positivity rate for LA based productions is **0.24%** as compared with the **8.3%** community 7-day testing positivity average, lowering the probability of disease exposure and transmission within the film production industry.

CONCLUSION

While COVID-19 has presented complex challenges for the film production industry, the support of a third-party medical provider, who is able to offer public and occupational health expertise with independent COVID-19 medical management, safe practices and successful outcomes are achieved.

Get Your Production Safely
Back to Business Today!

(281) 465-7100
axiomllc.com

