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The COVID protocol will be folded into the site protocol

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I am doing well. Thanks Josh. I hope the same goes for you and your family. With regards to routine survey work, we will be implementing our standard protocols for Site, PCR and Agency review. Also, the ICF process will be the same. The COVID process we have been implementing since the end of May will be incorporated into our routine survey process.

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On Oct 5, 2020, at 7:16 PM, Josh Christiana <Christianaj@thearcny.org> wrote:

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Brian,
Good evening. I'm hopeful that you are doing well as we march into the fall season. With the restart of routine surveys, I unsurprisingly received some questions about what DQI BPC would be looking for as relates to COVID-19. Here was an example of the questions that came in.

Are they are looking for any specific things in their restarted routine surveys and will COVID precautions be included in these "routine" site surveys somehow?

I was thinking you would keep conducting the COVID-19 specific reviews, but maybe not as it might save you some resources to do them as part of the site reviews?

Anything you can share will of course help the providers better prepare for and support the process.

Have a great evening.

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