

White House scales back practice of taking temperatures of visitors



Washington, June 23 (RHC)-- The White House cut back on temperature checks for visitors amid the pandemic but said anyone in close proximity with President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence would still be checked for the virus.

White House spokesman Judd Deere said the decision was prompted by the city of Washington entering the second phase of its reopening, which allows for more activity. "In conjunction with Washington, D.C. entering Phase Two today, the White House is scaling back complex-wide temperature checks," Deere said.

"In addition to social distancing, hand sanitizer, regular deep cleaning of all work spaces, and voluntary facial coverings, every staff member and guest in close proximity to the president and vice president is still being temperature checked, asked symptom histories, and tested for COVID-19," Deere said.

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