



Smart Social Technology & Machinery: SSTM

COVID19 and Social Distancing

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State and local governments need to fully understand the ramifications of re-opening society in the midst of the Covid19 pandemic. Since the novel coronavirus is still not thoroughly understood, there is a lot of uncertainty surrounding the long term impacts on populations. In addition to the probability of a second wave of the virus breaking out once society is re-opened, we also have the risk of those who have recovered still spreading the disease as it may lie dormant in their bodies. In addition, there is a chance that a much larger percentage than originally thought actually has contracted the virus, because many people who have been infected remain asymptomatic. Re-opening businesses and allowing regular social interactions too soon may be detrimental to global health. It is important to understand these risks and encourage social distancing for as long as possible.

One program that can be instituted in businesses, organizations and institutions in many places and across many industries is the use of Smart Social Technology & Machinery. SSTM is the use of smart technology and equipment to assist in our re-introduction to society, allowing for social distancing to be implemented at maximum capacity and efficiency.

Example: Taking Your Car for an Oil Change

- 1.) Make an appointment through an app or website
- 2.) Drive your car to the specified garage bay at the appointment time.
- 3.) Park your car and notify the mechanics through the app that the car has been parked and keys left in lock box
- 4.) Mechanics work on car and call or notify through app info about progress and concerns
- 5.) Call or converse through app with representative regarding pick up time
- 6.) Pick up car with no human contact using secret code sent through app

It is important that this level of technology is not eliminating or replacing any jobs, and it actually adds more jobs to the workforce to support the apps and provide the proper amount of representatives needed to support social distancing efforts in terms of customer service and administration. These forms of technology will be instrumental in facilitating the re-opening of society as they will reduce the threat of the spread of the virus by ensuring greater levels of social distancing. These efforts of course still need to be coupled with ongoing practices surrounding cleanliness, sanitation and overall public health. The development of this technology should be supplemented by the government as an alternative to fully re-opening society. If we return to normal levels of social interaction sooner rather than later, the results could be catastrophic.

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