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As many programs are beginning to plan their graduate student admission recruitment activities, I wanted to share recommendations from the Return to Learn Steering Committee pertaining to in-person on-campus recruitment visits.

In-person on-campus campus recruitment events or visits in January <u>are discouraged</u> in light of <u>the first two weeks being remote</u> and the public health measures for the last half of the month still yet to be determined.

Scheduling such visits in February, or thereafter, may be a better option. Even so, programs might consider the pros and cons of such in-person visits, and give serious consideration to the benefits of conducting recruitment activities using remote methods.

If after January a program decides to conduct in-person visits, it would be prudent to make such arrangements flexible so that everyone can adapt should public health guidance require a pivot away from in-person activity.

Finally, if a future in-person on-campus visit is scheduled, the use of rapid COVID tests is recommended, coupled with adherence to all campus public health policies in place at that time. However, please remember that campus-based testing infrastructure is reserved for current students, faculty, and staff and cannot be extended to visiting prospective students.

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