

COVID-19 VISITATION GUIDELINES

Effective Friday, July 8, 2022 the NJ Department of Health COVID-19 Activity Level Index report (CALI) will no longer be utilized as our guiding document to determine whether or not visits will be held at a particular facility, and what if any restrictions will be implemented. Instead the NJDOC will utilize the CDC's COVID-19 Community Levels in order to better align with CDC guidance. It is notable that the NJDOH has transitioned away from the CALI report effective June 17, 2022 to inform their public health guidance.

This report will be posted on Fridays via the following link: [COVID-19 Activity Level Report](#)

The CDC report also provides a color-coded system in a similar manner, but instead change from four color map to a three color map (orange, yellow & green).

Orange (High Risk): Socially distanced outdoor non-contact visits only for fully vaccinated incarcerated persons with proper masking, and sanitization of the visit area before and after the session. Incarcerated person designated as Quarantine or Isolation status will be restricted from in-person visitation until release from that status.

Yellow (Medium Risk): Socially distanced outdoor visits for all incarcerated persons with proper masking and sanitization of the visit area before and after the session. Fully vaccinated incarcerated persons are permitted to have contact with their visitors during visits, while those not fully vaccinated are to be considered non-contact. Incarcerated person designated as Quarantine or Isolation status will be restricted from in-person visitation until release from that status.

Green (Low Risk): Socially distanced indoor or outdoor visits for all incarcerated person with proper masking, and sanitization of the visit area before and after the session. Fully vaccinated incarcerated persons are permitted to have contact with their visitors during visits, while those not fully vaccinated are to be considered non-contact. Incarcerated person design ted as Quarantine or Isolation status will be restricted from in-person visitation until release from that status.

Each institution shall continue with pre-visit screening process via temperature checks, and the completion of the questionnaire for all visitors prior to entry into the facility. Additionally, in person visits will continue to be scheduled by appointment only. The NJDOC reserves the right to fully suspend all in-person visitation secondary to a substantial increase or outbreak of cases.

Moreover, please note that the NJDOC will be transitioning from the "fully vaccinated" standard to the "up to date" standard in upcoming months to determine visitation levels.

Up to date is defined as: People ages 6 months and older are up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines when they have received all doses in the primary series and all booster doses recommended for them, when eligible are considered "up to date."

Conversely, an individual is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their second dose in a two-dose series, such as the Pfizer-Biotech and Moderna vaccines, or two weeks after the single dose J &J/Janssen vaccine.

With this in mind, members of the incarcerated population are encouraged to obtain their COVID-19 booster so that they can remain eligible for in-person visitation as guidelines change.