

COVID-19 MODIFIED OPERATIONS MATRIX

- The following operational modifications should be followed depending upon the operational level of the institution. Institutions will determine their operational level and modifications based on the facilities' COVID-19 medical isolation rate, combined percentage of staff and inmate completed vaccinations series, and their respective county transmission rates.
- In order to implement and adjust operations accordingly, the Health Services Administrator (or designee) will review the COVID-19 Protocol Matrix Data dashboard **daily** and communicate the **facility's operational level** to the institution Executive Staff and Operations Lieutenant (or designee).
- If there are fluctuations in the daily level of operations, the facility will operate at the higher of the two levels of modification until a downward trend is observed (this will be automatically done by the Dashboard).
- Refer to [Module 6 Inmate Movement](#) and the movement algorithms located at the end of Module 6 for additional guidance.
- **Definitions**
 - **Not Fully Vaccinated:** No documentation of vaccination or partial vaccination (one out of two doses) as authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration of the United States.
 - **Fully Vaccinated:** Proper documentation of having completed a vaccination series: 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series (Pfizer or Moderna), or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine (Janssen) as authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration of the United States.
 - **Community Transmission Rate:** Utilizing the CDC's Community Transmission Indicators at the County Level: Table 2 <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/correction-detention/testing.html>
 - **Symptom Screen and Temperature Check (SSTC):** screening for symptoms of COVID-19 and elevated temperature/fever.
- **Key highlights and updates from the [CDC Interim Guidance on Management of Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) in Correctional and Detention Facilities:](#)**
 - Incarcerated/detained persons who are fully vaccinated and do not have symptoms of COVID-19 **do not need to quarantine** at intake, transfer, or following exposure to suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
 - Incarcerated/detained persons who are fully vaccinated **should continue to be tested for SARS-CoV-2** following exposure to suspected or confirmed COVID-19, or if they develop any symptoms of COVID-19. Fully vaccinated incarcerated persons, and persons who have recovered from SARS-CoV-2 infection during the 3-month period after their initial positive test can be exempted from movement-based screening testing if feasible.
 - Routine screening testing for staff and incarcerated persons who are not fully vaccinated should be conducted at least weekly when community transmission is substantial or high <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>
- **Key highlights and updates from the [OSHA COVID-19 Healthcare Emergency Temporary Standards:](#)**
 - All workers (staff/contractors/inmate orderlies) must wear a surgical mask in all patient care areas, whether or not there are patients in the clinic/area.
- **Key highlights from the Department of Justice Memo dated June 24, 2021:**
 - Face coverings will be worn at all time while indoors, regardless of vaccination status.

	Level 1 Operations Minimal Modifications	Level 2 Operations Moderate Modifications	Level 3 Operations Intense Modifications
Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical isolation rate < 2% <i>and</i> Facility vaccination rate ≥ 65% <i>and</i> Community transmission rate less than 50 per 100,000 over the last 7 days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical isolation rate 2% to < 7% <i>or</i> Facility vaccination rate 50% to < 65% <i>or</i> Community transmission rate 50-99 per 100,000 over the last 7 days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Isolation Rate ≥ 7% <i>or</i> Facility vaccination rate < 50% <i>or</i> Community transmission rate ≥ 100 per 100,000 over the last 7 days
Infection Prevention Procedures	<i>Medical isolation, contact tracing, and PPE appropriate for each setting are still in effect for all scenarios.</i>		
Inmate Cloth Face Covering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per DOJ guidance, face covering required at all times in all indoor environments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per DOJ guidance, face covering required at all times in all indoor environments Face covering required when social distancing is not possible outdoors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow the full COVID-19 Pandemic Plan including facility-wide use of face coverings, surgical or N95 masks as indicated.
Staff Cloth Face Covering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per DOJ guidance, face covering required at all times in all indoor environments (surgical mask in patient care areas as below). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per DOJ guidance, face covering required at all times in all indoor environments (surgical mask in patient care areas as below). Face covering is required when social distancing is not possible outdoors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow the full COVID-19 Pandemic Plan including facility-wide use of face coverings, surgical or N95 masks as indicated.
Surgical Masks	All workers (staff/contractors/inmate orderlies) must wear a surgical mask in all patient care areas, whether or not there are patients in the clinic/area.		
Staff Symptom Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self monitoring/report symptoms of COVID-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self monitoring/report symptoms of COVID-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement daily COVID-19 symptom screen and temp check prior to entry into the institution (enhanced screening)
Social Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All health care units and patient care areas Not necessary in other locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All areas
Cohorting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not necessary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not necessary if social distancing is followed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes

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Infection Prevention Procedures (cont.)	<i>Medical isolation, contact tracing, and PPE appropriate for each setting are still in effect for all scenarios.</i>		
Quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully vaccinated inmates do not need to be quarantined as new intakes, prior to transfer to other BOP facilities or correctional jurisdictions, or if they have a known or suspected exposure to a case of SARS-CoV-2 infection. • Regardless of vaccination status, all inmates transferring to an RRC, home confinement or releasing to the community need to complete a 14-day quarantine prior to departing the institution. • Not fully vaccinated inmates need to complete a 14-day quarantine as new intakes or if they have a known or suspected exposure to a case of SARS-CoV-2. When transferring from one BOP location to another BOP location or correctional jurisdiction, 14-day quarantine may be required; the sending institution will refer to the Movement Table below for guidance dependent on operational level. 		
Medical Isolation	Inmates with known or suspected SARS-CoV-2 infection should be provided a face covering, POC tested, and placed in medical isolation for 10 days (see more details below on all other types of quarantine)		
Sanitation	Continued high sanitation standards expected at all levels of operation. At a minimum, all areas, supplies, and equipment must be cleaned on a daily basis.		
Inmate SARS-CoV-2 Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Symptomatic • Exposed, asymptomatic • Movement-based testing (refer to Module 6 – Inmate Movement) • Screening/surveillance testing of not fully vaccinated - individualized by institution, level of operations and target populations (high risk, by location, etc). Refer to Module 5 – Surveillance. 		
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Inmate Programming and Services	<i>Each activity will follow the general infection prevention recommendations above unless specified otherwise below.</i>		
Barber / Beauty Shop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal operations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limit capacity to allow for social distancing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow the COVID-19 Pandemic Plan
Programs & Services (Education, Psychology, Religious Svs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal capacity participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard housing capacity (in Residential units) • Limit capacity to allow for social distancing during group activities 	
Laundry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal operations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limit capacity to allow for social distancing 	
Commissary/ Inmate Phones/TRULINCS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal operations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limit capacity to allow for social distancing • Cohorting if not able to social distance. 	
Law Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal capacity participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limit capacity to allow for social distancing 	
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Inmate Programming and Services (cont.)	<i>Each activity will follow the general infection prevention recommendations above unless specified otherwise below.</i>		
Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal capacity participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limit capacity levels to allow for social distancing indoors • Normal outdoor capacity participation • Face covering outdoors when social distancing is not possible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow the COVID-19 Pandemic Plan
Visitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face covering is required for visitors as well as staff and inmates • Normal operations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face covering is required for visitors as well as staff and inmates • Non-contact only 	
Work Detail / Unicolor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal operations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cohorting if not social distancing • Face covering outdoors when social distancing is not possible 	
All Inmate Transport (Bus/Air/Van)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation involves an indoor environment and face covering is required at all times. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation involves an indoor environment and face covering is required at all times. 	

Movement Type	Fully Vaccinated	Not Fully Vaccinated ¹
Intake from non-BOP facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard intake / R&D procedures • No testing • No intake quarantine • SSTC at intake 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete intake quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out) • Offer COVID-19 vaccine
BOP to BOP Transfer - Sending Institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard intake / R&D procedures • No testing • No transfer quarantine • SSTC within 24 hours of movement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transferring from Level 1 Institution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ POC test within 72 hours of transfer, and SSTC within 24 hours of transfer • Transferring from Level 2 or 3 Institution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out) at sending facility
BOP to BOP Transfer – Receiving Institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard intake / R&D procedures • No testing • No intake quarantine • SSTC at intake 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete intake quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out) • Refer to Module 6 and Movement Algorithms for additional guidance. • Offer COVID-19 vaccine
Return From Hospital Trips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard Intake/R&D procedures • No testing • No quarantine • SSTC upon return 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POC testing prior to scheduled appointment/procedure/ER Trip • Same day/<24-hour trips: Standard Intake/R&D procedures • Trips ≥ 24-hour: Quarantine (14-day test-it/test-out)
Court Appearances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard intake / R&D procedures • No testing • No quarantine • SSTC prior to each court appearance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSTC and POC testing prior to each court appearance and follow-up SSTC and POC testing once a week for two weeks after each court appearance. • Inmates must complete Intake Quarantine any time prior to being released to General Population. • Offer COVID-19 vaccine

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<p>Holdover and Federal Transfer Center locations It is important to distinguish between the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Inmates from BOP facilities who are fully vaccinated or have completed the BOP Intrasystem Transfer procedure prior to their BOP intrasystem transfer or fully vaccinated inmates from non-BOP facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Inmates in this category should follow the guidance in the fully vaccinated column. ➤ Inmates from other agencies, correctional jurisdictions, contract and private correctional facilities, or voluntary surrenders and who are not fully vaccinated. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Inmates in this category should follow the guidance in the not fully vaccinated column. ➤ Ordinarily, these two groups are not mixed at the institution; follow the Infection Control Guidance for Transportation in Module 6 for outgoing bus/JPATS flights. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSTC upon arrival • Standard intake / R&D procedures • No testing for fully vaccinated • No quarantine • Send vaccination documentation • Refer to Module 6 and Movement Algorithms for additional guidance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to Module 6 and Movement Algorithms for additional guidance. • Offer COVID-19 vaccine
<p>Transfer to other correctional jurisdiction</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard intake / R&D procedures • No testing • No transfer quarantine • Send vaccination documentation • SSTC within 24 hrs of departure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transferring from Level 1 Institution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ POC test within 72 hours of transfer, and SSTC within 24 hours of transfer • Transferring from Level 2 or 3 Institution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out) at sending facility

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Transfers (sending) to home confinement or halfway houses (RRCs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete transfer quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out quarantine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete transfer quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out quarantine)
Full Term Release or Immediate Release	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete transfer quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out quarantine) For immediate releases – POC+SSTC prior to departure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete transfer quarantine (14-day test-in/test-out quarantine) For immediate releases – POC+SSTC prior to departure
¹ Inmates diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 90 days do not require testing. Perform a symptom screen and temperature check within 24 hours of inmate movement.		

Staff Testing	Community Transmission Indicators (Cumulative number of new cases per 100,000 in the last 7 days)		
	<50	50-99	≥ 100
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to the CDC, whether or not a person is fully vaccinated, testing is recommended following exposure to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 or if a person is developing symptoms associated with COVID-19. Testing is available to staff at all institutions. Refer to Module 11. BOP Employee Management for additional guidance. 			
Fully Vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No testing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No testing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No testing
Non-Vaccinated/ Partially Vaccinated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No testing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly testing recommended 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly testing recommended