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ADPH Health Advisory-Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Healthcare Personnel During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID 19) Pandemic

As of September 23, 2022, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated its Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Healthcare Personnel During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID 19) Pandemic. The recommendations continue to recommend that healthcare facilities reference Community Transmission Levels in their respective counties to inform facility-level actions. Keep in mind that Community Transmission Levels differ from Community Levels for the public. Thus, it remains important to educate visitors that healthcare precautions may be more rigorous to protect patients, staff, and the healthcare system.

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) supports the recommendations of the CDC and advises that facilities review the documents below when developing facility specific guidelines.

Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Healthcare Personnel During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID 19) Pandemic:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/infection-control-recommendations.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fhcp%2Flong-term-care.html

Interim Guidance for Managing Healthcare Personnel with SARS-CoV-2 Infection or Exposure to SARS-CoV-2:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-risk-assesment-hcp.html>

Community Transmission Levels:

https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view?list_select_state=all_states&list_select_county=all_counties&data-type=Risk&null=

Strategies to Mitigate Healthcare Personnel Staffing Shortages:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/mitigating-staff-shortages.html>

Ending Isolation and Precautions for People with COVID 19: Interim Guidance:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/duration-isolation.html>

CMS Guidance for Long Term Care (LTC):

<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-38-nh-revised.pdf>

<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-39-nh-revised.pdf>

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