



# Division of Juvenile Justice

## Visitor Protocols and COVID Prevention and Response Measures - Phase II

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The Division of Juvenile Justice recognizes the value of families and community involvement and is committed to the safety of staff and residents. In line with local, state and national guidelines to minimize the spread of COVID -19 we are planning to lift the suspension of visitation at our DJJ secure facilities in two phases. The steps below are Phase II guidelines for all facilities to follow.

### Visitation Hours:

- Approved visitation will be determined by the facility Superintendent.
  - Family visitation will be scheduled two times per week.
  - Residents will only be allowed two visitors on their assigned day.
  - Special visitation hours can be approved by the Superintendent or designee as needed and will be limited to two visitors.
  - Attorneys of record may schedule visits during normal business hours (Non-holiday M-F 8am to 5pm).
  - Community volunteers will be allowed in the facility. Only one visitor at a time for the specific volunteer activity.
  - Approved community partners and grantees such as Big Brother Big Sisters, Alaska Native Justice Center may resume scheduled programming at each facility.
  - A resident must be off 14 day quarantine prior to getting an approved visitor or participation in volunteer or community partner activities.
  - **Visitation will be suspended if a unit is on quarantine or community transmission alert levels are high.**
- **Building Entry Screening:**
    - In addition to the customary security screenings, all approved non-employees will be screened for temperature, symptoms and travel prior to entering a DJJ building. Visitor must comply with the current state and or community travel quarantine mandates if returning from out of state or international travel.
    - Persons with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 will not be allowed in the facilities.
    - All non-employees must wear a cloth facial covering during the entirety of the visit to the facility.
  - **Hygiene Best Practices :**
    - Handwashing capability or sanitizer availability is required.
    - Cleaning and disinfecting must continue to be conducted in compliance with CDC protocols before and after visitation.
    - All non-employees must wear a cloth facial covering during the entirety of the visit to the facility.
  - **Visiting:**
    - All non-employees must wash or sanitize their hands before and after visitation.
    - All non-employees must practice six feet social distancing, to the degree possible, during the visit to include no contact i.e. hugging, handshakes, etc. (Social distancing is defined as within 6 feet).
    - All non-employees must wear a cloth facial covering during the entirety of the visit to the facility.
    - Weather permitting, consider conducting visiting in an outside area if possible.
    - No food items or personal items i.e. books, magazines, clothing etc. will be allowed during visitation.
  - **Resource guides:**
    - State of Alaska COVID Page: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/>
    - State of Alaska Mandates: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-mandates/>