



SAFER-AT-HOME

Guidance for Nursing Homes and Congregate Care Facilities

The following guidance has been prepared to help nursing homes and congregate care facilities safely transition to the Safer-at-Home level of our community's COVID-19 response. We greatly appreciate your partnership as we work together to keep our community healthy and safe.

PROTECTING WORKSITES

- Restrict visitation of non-essential individuals.
- Facilities shall post signage clearly summarizing the essential individual visitor policy, such as vendors providing necessary supplies or services for the facility or residents, and individuals necessary for the physical and/or mental well-being of the residents.
- All facilities must develop an appropriate [isolation plan](#) and file with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

PROTECTING EMPLOYEES

- All employees, contractors and essential individuals entering the premises must complete a [health screening](#) prior to entering facility.
- Screening documentation must be maintained until further notice and made available upon request to CDPHE or JCPH. After screening, if an essential visitor is allowed into the facility, they must:
 - Limit their movement within the facility to the resident's room.
 - Limit surfaces touched.
 - Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) — gown, gloves and mask.
 - Limit physical contact with resident.
- Only allow two essential visitors per resident at a given time.

PROTECTING RESIDENTS

- Do not permit communal dining.
- Conduct active health screens for all residents.
- When visitation is necessary or allowable (e.g., in end-of-life scenarios), facilities should make efforts to allow for safe visitation for residents.
- Do not permit congregating.



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RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES FROM JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

- [Stop the Spread of Germs Poster \(English\)](#)
- [Stop the Spread of Germs Poster \(Español\)](#)
- [Three Simple Steps for Cleaning & Disinfecting Signage](#)
- [How to Safely Use a Face Covering Poster](#)
- [Caring for Your Mental Health During COVID-19 \(English\)](#)
- [Caring for Your Mental Health During COVID-19 \(Español\)](#)
- [Signage for Business Storefronts/Entrances](#)

**For additional information
about COVID-19, visit
www.jeffco.us/safer-at-home,
or CDPHE's website at
covid19.colorado.gov/safer-at-home.**

Do you pledge to follow public health guidelines to protect your worksite, employees and customers from COVID-19? Let the community know by displaying this decal at your location, on your website or on social media!

[Click here to download the decal and other communications tools.](#)

