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**From:** ^Hanford Office of Communications  
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**Subject:** REISSUE: COMMUNITY LEVELS MEDIUM-MASKS REMAIN OPTIONAL AT THE HANFORD SITE, JULY 2- JULY 8, 2022  
**Attachments:** COVID-19 TRACKING 06302022.pdf

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Department of Energy  
Hanford Site  
Richland, Washington

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**Issued:** 07/01/2022

**To:** ALL ORP/RL FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND SUPPORT STAFF

**Subject:** COMMUNITY LEVELS MEDIUM-MASKS REMAIN OPTIONAL AT THE HANFORD SITE, JULY 2- JULY 8, 2022

For the week of **July 02-July 08, 2022**, the Community Level in Benton and Franklin Counties are in the medium category. Based on the current status, masks remain **optional** for federal employees at Hanford Site facilities regardless of vaccination status.

With this change in community level, employees required to perform screening testing will be contacted by their supervisors with specific direction. If at any time during the week (when testing is required) the employee comes into the office or works onsite as part of their job duties, they must be tested sometime during the week. The test may not be self-administered. As a reminder, masks and testing are required for anyone visiting HPMC OMS or other healthcare facilities.

Personnel in the testing program are required to register for an appointment in the HPMC scheduling application. The application is open today and will remain open on Monday. Testing days are Tuesday and Wednesday only.

Federal employees from other agencies or sites are treated as visitors when accessing the Hanford Site. The required COVID-19 vaccination attestation form will be available upon check in at the Hanford Site Badging Office/Visitor Control. With the change in community status, visitors must complete the "Certification of Vaccination" form when they enter a federal building or federally controlled worksite and keep the form with them during their time at Hanford. In requesting this information, DOE will comply with any applicable federal laws, including requirements under the Privacy Act and the Paperwork Reduction Act. Visitors who are not fully vaccinated or who decline to provide information about their vaccination status must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test from no later than the previous 3 days prior to entry to a federal building or federally controlled worksite when community levels in the local area are MEDIUM.

The current Hanford Site COVID-19 Workplace Safety Plan for Federal Employees is available on the Hanford.gov website and the following link

[http://www.rl.gov/files.cfm/HNF-67450\\_Hanford\\_COVID-19\\_Workplace\\_Safety\\_Plan\\_for\\_Federal\\_Employees\\_Rev.\\_2\\_1.pdf](http://www.rl.gov/files.cfm/HNF-67450_Hanford_COVID-19_Workplace_Safety_Plan_for_Federal_Employees_Rev._2_1.pdf)

A copy of the current metrics that determine our community level is attached. This is derived from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [Integrated County View of community levels](#).

The issuance of these mask and testing requirements to the Hanford support service contractors via this announcement has been concurred with by the Hanford Procurement Division Contracting Officer.

If you have any questions, please work with your management. Thank you for doing your part to keep Hanford safe.

Attachment

# The Hanford Site

Department of Energy  
COVID-19 Tracking - HQ

Dashboard Version: COVID.DOE.01

Last Refresh  
6/30/2022 2:00:00 PM

Community Level

# Medium

Cases Per 100k

# 200.59

Admissions Per 100k

# 8.00

% Staffed Inpatient Bed

# 4.10%

## Current Status

The Hanford Site has completed phase 3 of the COVID-19 re-entry.

On 25 February, the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force (Task Force) issued initial implementation guidance on COVID-19 Community Levels, which measure the impact of COVID-19 illness on health and healthcare systems. Hanford is relying on this data to determine the COVID-19 Community Level for a given facility by looking to the COVID-19 Community Level for Benton and Franklin counties. Where a locality imposes more protective pandemic-related safety requirements, those requirements should be followed in Federal facilities within that locality.

In Washington, the Governor updated Proclamation 20-25 (Washington Ready) to rescind the face covering requirement in most places. The face covering requirement will remain in place in healthcare settings, long-term care facilities, and correctional facilities and jails.

## CDC Community Rates

Population	7 Day Total Cases	Cases Per 100k
299,612	601	200.59

## CDC Community Trending (Benton & Franklin County)

