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**From:** ^Hanford Office of Communications  
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**Subject:** COMMUNITY LEVELS MEDIUM-MASKS REMAIN OPTIONAL AT THE HANFORD SITE, JUNE 25-JULY 1, 2022  
**Attachments:** COVID-19 TRACKING 06232022.pdf

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

**Subject:** COMMUNITY LEVELS MEDIUM-MASKS REMAIN OPTIONAL AT THE HANFORD SITE, JUNE 25-JULY 1, 2022

For the week of **June 25-July 1, 2022**, the Community Level in Benton and Franklin Counties has changed to 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.

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

## Certification of Vaccination

The purpose of this form is to take steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health and safety of all Federal employees, onsite contractor employees, visitors to Federal facilities, and other individuals interacting with the Federal workforce. If you fail to submit this signed attestation, or if you are unable to provide proof of any required negative COVID-19 test, you may be denied entry to a Federal facility.

## My COVID-19 Vaccination Status

If you are not vaccinated against COVID-19 due to medical or religious reasons, please check either "I am not fully vaccinated against COVID-19" or "I decline to respond."

By checking the box below, I declare that the following statement is true:

I am fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers an individual fully vaccinated if they are: 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine. If you don't meet these requirements, regardless of your age, you are **not** fully vaccinated.

I am not fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

I decline to respond.

## Federal COVID-19 Workplace Safety Protocols

**I understand that while in a Federal facility I must follow the COVID-19 workplace safety protocols required by the Federal agency I am visiting or for which I am performing contract work onsite. This includes wearing a mask when required in the facility, including when the COVID-19 Community Level in the county where the Federal facility is located is HIGH as defined by the CDC.**

**If I am not fully vaccinated or decline to provide my vaccination status, I understand the Federal agency I am visiting or for which I am performing contract work onsite may require that I be able to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test I received within the previous 3 days, including when the COVID-19 Community Level in the county where the Federal facility is located is MEDIUM or HIGH as defined by the CDC.**

I sign this document under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct, and that I am the person named below. I understand that a knowing and willful false statement on this form can be punished by fine or imprisonment or both (18 U.S.C. 1001). Checking "I decline to respond" does not constitute a false statement. I understand that if I am a Federal employee or contractor making a false statement on this form could result in additional administrative action, including an adverse personnel action up to and including removal from my position or removal from a contract.

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Directions and notice to Federal contractor employees**

When the COVID-19 Community Level in a county where a Federal facility is located is MEDIUM or HIGH as defined by CDC, onsite contractor employees must attest to their vaccination status by being able to present a completed Certification of Vaccination form while in that Federal facility. Please note that consistent with CDC guidance, agencies may have different or additional COVID-19 workplace safety protocols for individuals in specific work settings, such as healthcare or congregate settings, including protocols that vary based on an individual's COVID-19 vaccination status.

You may be asked to show this form and/or information from a health screening upon entry to a Federal facility, and/or to a Federal employee who is supervising or managing your work on Federal premises. **Please maintain this form during your time on Federal premises.**

Please contact \_\_\_\_\_ with questions.

### **Directions and notice to visitors**

When the COVID-19 Community Level in a county where a Federal facility is located is MEDIUM or HIGH as defined by the CDC, visitors must attest to their vaccination status by being able to present a completed Certification of Vaccination form while in that Federal facility. Please note that consistent with CDC guidance, agencies may have different or additional COVID-19 workplace safety protocols for people in specific work settings, such as healthcare or congregate settings, including protocols that vary based on an individual's COVID-19 vaccination status.

You may be asked to show this form and/or information from a health screening upon entry to a Federal facility, and/or to a Federal employee who is sponsoring your visit. You may be asked to show this form as part of your in-person participation in a Federally hosted meeting, event, or conference. **Please maintain this form during your visit.**

If you are entering to obtain a public service or benefit and are not fully vaccinated, you must comply with all relevant CDC guidance, however using this form and following any requirement to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test do not apply to you.

Please contact \_\_\_\_\_ with questions.

### **Directions and notice to Federal employees visiting a Federal agency other than their employing agency**

When the COVID-19 Community Level in a county where a Federal facility is located is MEDIUM or HIGH as defined by the CDC, Federal employees visiting a Federal agency other than their employing agency should be treated as visitors for the purposes of COVID-19 workplace safety protocols and should attest to their vaccination status by being able to present a completed Certification of Vaccination form while in that Federal facility. Please note that consistent with CDC guidance, agencies may have different or additional COVID-19 workplace safety protocols for people in specific work settings, such as healthcare or congregate settings, including protocols that vary based on an individual's COVID-19 vaccination status.

You may be asked to show this form and/or information from a health screening upon entry to a Federal facility controlled by a Federal agency other than your employing agency, and/or to a Federal employee who is sponsoring your visit. You may be asked to show this form as part of

your in-person participation in a meeting, event, or conference hosted by a Federal agency other than your employing agency. **Please maintain this form during your visit.**

Making a false statement on this form could result in an adverse personnel action against you, up to and including removal from your position.

Please contact

with questions.

### **Privacy Notice**

We are authorized to request the information on this form pursuant to Executive Order 13991, Protecting the Federal Workforce and Requiring Mask-Wearing (Jan. 20, 2021). You may be asked to show this form and/or information from a health screening upon entry to a Federal facility, and/or to a Federal employee at the agency you are visiting or at which you are working. This is being done in order to promote the safety of Federal facilities and the Federal workforce consistent with the above-referenced Executive Order, guidance established by the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force, and guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. This form and/or the information from a health screening will be returned to you and will not be maintained by the agency.

Providing this information is voluntary. However, if you fail to provide this information, you will be treated as not fully vaccinated for purposes of implementing safety measures.

### **Public burden information for employees, contractors, and visitors**

Public burden reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average 2 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to [PRA@opm.gov](mailto:PRA@opm.gov). The OMB clearance number 3206-0277 is currently valid.

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# The Hanford Site

Department of Energy  
COVID-19 Tracking - HQ

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Community Level  <h1 style="margin: 0;">Medium</h1>	Cases Per 100k  <h1 style="margin: 0;">184.57</h1>	Admissions Per 100k  <h1 style="margin: 0;">10.30</h1>	% Staffed Inpatient Bed  <h1 style="margin: 0;">5.30%</h1>
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## 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	553	184.57

## CDC Community Trending (Benton & Franklin County)

