



Jefferson County

Public Health Department

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County Health Authority

AMENDMENT AS OF March 07, 2024

Jefferson County Employee COVID-19 Policy

County employees are highly likely to come in contact with Covid-19 at various points in time. This policy is hereby implemented for all Jefferson County employees, not otherwise excluded as indicated below, who shall abide by this policy:

Excluded from this policy: Law Enforcement Officers and Correctional Institution Personnel (other than clerical staff).

The CDC encourages everyone to receive a COVID-19 vaccination and any vaccine boosters that have been medically proven safe and effective.

If you begin to experience any of the following symptoms that have been found in people with the COVID-19 virus:

99°F or above	Headache	Cough	Shortness of Breath	Loss of Taste or Smell	
Diarrhea	Fatigue	Muscle Aches	Sore Throat	Nausea/Vomiting	Chills

You should be tested and if positive you must quarantine as stated below for "Positive for COVID-19." If negative, continue to self-monitor for symptoms.

At home tests are not an approved test. Approved tests are antigen test/rapid screening test done by Employee Health or a medical provider who is required to provide documentation to the County Health Department. If testing is done by a provider other than Employee Health, proper documentation must be provided to the employee's department head or designated personnel.

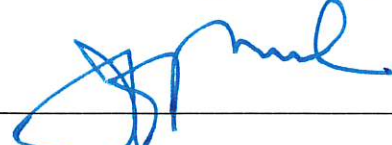
Positive for Covid-19

- If you test positive for Covid-19 by an approved antigen test/rapid screening test, you must stay at home for at least 3 days and isolate from others. You may end isolation and return to work after day 3 if you are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication and symptoms have improved.
- When you return to work, the CDC recommends you to wear a mask for 5 additional days and limit contact with others.

The Employee Health Clinic (409-784-5881) will help employees of Jefferson County facilitate appointments and/or test for the COVID-19 virus. Please call your primary care physician if additional medication/treatments are needed at any point regarding your COVID-19 health concerns.

Questions regarding employee policies/leave must be directed to the Jefferson County Human Resources Department.

Effective March 08 2024 at 8:40 AM.



Jeff R. Branick, County Judge



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