COVID-19: CALHN Trigger Levels Flowchart-check internet for latest copy

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| CODE Level | Triggers Based on community prevalence/incidence* | COVID Surveillance and Testing Requirements | | PPE - Mask Usage | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|--|----------------|--|
| | | | | Non-Clinical Areas e.g. Non patient care area/ Blue space/ Staff tea rooms/ Cafeterias | | Clinical Areas & OPD |
| | | Staff | RAT test if symptomatic PCR required if RAT negative | Staff | Masks optional | Masks optional |
| | and hospital COVID | | Staff not to attend work~ | Visitors | Masks optional | Masks optional |
| | activity | Patients | As per COVID Testing and Clearance Flowchart BAU (RAT testing in specific high-risk areas) | Patients | Masks optional | Masks optional when outside of room |
| AMBER | Based on community prevalence/incidence* and hospital COVID activity | Staff | RAT test if symptomatic PCR required if RAT negative Staff not to attend work~ | Staff Surgical masks in clinical areas are only to be removed for meal/fluid breaks, with appropriate hand hygiene. | Masks optional | Surgical mask |
| | | | | Visitors | Masks optional | Surgical mask |
| | | Patients | As per COVID Testing and Clearance Flowchart | Patients | Masks optional | Surgical mask when outside of room |
| RED | Based on community prevalence/incidence* and hospital COVID activity | Staff | RAT test if symptomatic PCR required if RAT negative Staff not to attend work~ | Staff N95/P2 masks in clinical areas are only to be removed for meal/fluid breaks, with appropriate hand hygiene. | Surgical mask | N95/P2 |
| | | | | Visitors | Surgical mask | Surgical mask |
| | | Patients | As per COVID Testing and Clearance Flowchart | Patients | Surgical mask | Surgical mask when outside of room |
| RED ZONE CLUSTER OUTBREAKS | Outbreak** | Staff | As directed by ID/ IPCU/CWH as part of contact management or exposure. Refer to <u>CALHN Staff Furloughing Table</u> via the internet. | Staff N95/P2 masks in clinical areas are only to be removed for meal/fluid breaks, with appropriate hand hygiene. | N95/P2 | N95/P2 |
| | | | | Visitors | NA | NA (risk assess need for visitors and if essential visit required then surgical mask) |
| | | Patients | As directed by ID/IPCU. Usually, PCR every 3 days and daily RAT testing is recommended until the outbreak is complete | Patients | NA | Surgical mask when outside of room |

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| | COVID close contact | Staff | Refer to staff furlough table | Staff | N95/P2 | N95/P2 |
| | | Patients | Refer to COVID Testing and Clearance Flowchart | Patients | NA | Surgical mask when outside of room |
| | | Visitors | NA (risk assess need for visitors and if essential visit required then RAT prior to visit) | Visitors | NA | NA (risk assess need for visitors and if essential visit required then surgical mask) |

Guidelines for Staff, Patients and Visitor re physical distancing, meal breaks requirements during non-surge and surge periods.

| CODE Level | Triggers | Staff Requirements | Patient/Visitor Requirements |
|----------------------------------|---|--|---|
| GREEN | Based on community prevalence/incidence* and hospital COVID activity | Staff are to continue within normal workflow processes. | No restrictions except 1 visitor only in ED and Outpatients (compassionate grounds to be considered for extras). |
| AMBER | Based on community prevalence/incidence* and hospital COVID activity | Staff should maintain physical distancing (1.5) metres, including tearooms and staff kitchens. Staff should be encouraged to utilise the outside garden areas where practical. Consider utilising MS Teams or Zoom. | Visitors should maintain physical distancing (1.5) metres where and when possible, utilise outside garden areas where practical for visiting. No restrictions except 1 visitor only in ED and Outpatients (compassionate grounds to be considered for extras). Mental health may have a modified plan for shared meal areas. |
| RED | Based on community prevalence/incidence* and hospital COVID activity | Staff should maintain physical distancing (1.5) metres, including tearooms and staff kitchens. Staff should be encouraged to utilise the outside garden areas where practical. MS Teams or Zoom preferred unless essential. | Visitors should maintain physical distancing (1.5) metres where and when possible, utilise outside garden areas where practical for visiting. No restrictions*** except 1 visitor only in ED and Outpatients (compassionate grounds to be considered for extras). Patient shared meals/exercise areas/group therapy may be restricted to rooms or 1:1 therapy sessions. |
| RED ZONE CLUSTER OUTBREAKS | Outbreak** | Staff should maintain physical distancing (1.5) metres, including tearooms and staff kitchens. Staff should be encouraged to utilise the outside garden areas where practical. MS Teams or Zoom for meetings. | Risk assess the need for visitors and if essential visit required, then fit checked N95/P2 is required. Patient shared meals/exercise areas/group therapy may be restricted to rooms or 1:1 therapy sessions. |

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