Plan Your COVID-19 Risk Guide



Due to critical staffing shortages, all UCM/BSD employees are considered essential staff who play a critical part in our efforts to maintain hospital operations. You may be needed to work on-site in your current role or as a redeployed team member. As such, we are asking you to avoid high-risk activities. These may be defined by travel to high-risk areas or, more importantly, by specific activities themselves. Please make changes in your non-work lives to keep our safety promise to our patients and each other.

These activities are HIGH RISK for COVID-19. If you follow all the mitigations in the blue column, you may continue to work. If you choose to do something in the red column, plan to use paid time off (vacation and personal days) to quarantine for 7 days afterward. You will need to be tested before returning to work on Day 8.

We trust you to make good choices and report any high-risk activity to your supervisor. In short-staffing situations, you may be asked to work even after high-risk activities, so please be as careful as possible.

	HIGH RISK	LOWER RISK*
Eating and Drinking	Eating or drinking indoors with people who don't live with you. This includes at restaurants and bars, or eating with others inside a home. See below about unmasked contact limits.	If you're eating with people who don't live with you, do it outside AND with 6 feet of distance. At work, eat quickly (less than 15 minutes) and 6 feet from others. Or use the Sky Café.
Unmasked Contacts	Having unmasked contact with more than 5 people who don't live with you over the course of a week. That's unmasked contact with 5 people TOTAL, not 5 at a time.	Limit unmasked contact to those you live with plus 5 (or fewer) people each week. For contact with everyone else, wear a mask or stay 6 feet apart outside. Remember, if you're indoors, distance alone isn't enough.
Exercise	Working out in a gym or fitness center without wearing a mask while other people are present. This includes exercise classes and fitness centers where masks aren't being worn.	Exercise outdoors or do in-home fitness or virtual classes. If you're in a gym or at a fitness class, you must BOTH wear a mask AND keep at least 6 feet of distance.
Singing or Chanting	Singing or chanting indoors with other people when masks aren't worn or people aren't 6 feet apart. This includes religious services without masks or without distance.	Sing or chant outdoors. If you do so indoors, you must BOTH wear a mask AND keep 6 feet of distance. Eye protection is strongly encouraged.
Outdoor Crowds	Attending a crowded outdoor gathering with people who are unmasked.	Wear a mask when at any outdoor gathering where it's not possible to keep at least 6 feet of distance. Eye protection is strongly encouraged.
Long- Distance Travel	Traveling without wearing BOTH a mask AND eye protection. This include any travel more than 2 hours with those who don't live with you. For example: planes, trains, buses and shared automobiles.	Wear a mask AND eye protection when you're on shared transportation for more than 2 hours. When you're in a car with people you don't live with, masks alone are OK if everyone keeps theirs on.

^{*}Carry your own hand sanitizer and use it frequently.

If you were exposed to someone with a known case of COVID-19, please use the Healthcare Worker Post-Exposure Risk Assessment Matrix on the intranet. Quarantining after a known-positive exposure (whether from a household contact, friend, or a patient) does not require the use of vacation days.