

COVID-19 Webinar for Hospital Accreditation

Q&A With The Joint Commission

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CMS 1135 Waivers

Pre-Submitted Questions

You mentioned previously that the CMS 1135 Waiver information could be found on The Joint Commission's extranet site under "resources and tools". I am unable to find the information there.

Pre-Submitted Questions



Looking for more information on CMS 1135 Waivers?

The screenshot shows the Joint Commission Connect website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for Home, Survey Process, Continuous Compliance, Communication, Resources and Tools, and Security Admin. The 'Resources and Tools' tab is selected. Below the navigation bar, there are three main sections: Resources, Tools, and DASH – Data Analytics for Safe Healthcare. The 'Tools' section is highlighted with a yellow background and a red arrow pointing to the 'Learn More' link. The 'Learn More' link is also highlighted in the 'Tools - Learn More' content area. The content area contains a paragraph about the impact of CMS 1135 Blanket Waivers and Joint Commission Requirement Extensions, followed by a list of documents with their last updated dates.

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- **Impact of CMS 1135 Blanket Waivers and Joint Commission Requirement Extensions-** As an accrediting organization, the Joint Commission continues to work closely with CMS on potential waivers and extensions of CMS regulatory requirements. Listed below are documents that provide specific Joint Commission guidance on the standards that were impacted by the CMS 1135 waivers. In addition, we continue to publish [Frequently Asked Questions](#) related to the COVID-19 Pandemic that may assist your organization. Also, we have the [Joint Commission Coronavirus website](#), which provides an assimilation of resources for our accredited organizations. Please check back frequently, as the documents below will be updated to reflect additional waivers issued by CMS and any further updates related to Joint Commission standards.

- [CAH DOC](#) (last updated 5/12/2020)
- [HAP DOC](#) (last updated 5/12/2020)
- [OME DOC](#) (last updated 5/12/2020)
- [OME DOC:IP Hospice](#) (last updated 5/12/2020)
- [NCC DOC](#) (last updated 4/7/2020)

Accredited organizations can learn more by visiting **Resources and Tools > Tools > Learn More** in their *Joint Commission Connect*[®] extranet site.



Infection Control

Pre-Submitted Questions

Are there special recommendations for maternity and newborn patients? Considerations for Inpatient Obstetric Healthcare Settings?

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/inpatient-obstetric-healthcare-guidance.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/caring-for-newborns.html>

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What are the recommendations for COVID-19 Prevention in Hemodialysis?

Series of posters available at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/hcp/fs-COVID19-Dialysis-Facility.pdf?deliveryName=USCDC_425-DM29207

Interim Additional Guidance for Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Patients with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 in Outpatient Hemodialysis Facilities

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/dialysis.html>

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Should psychiatric inpatients be wearing masks?

CDC Guidance can be found within Clinical Questions about COVID-19: Questions and Answers: Do CDC's...recommendations apply to psychiatric hospitals or other behavioral health facilities? <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/faq.html>

Joint Commission Standards FAQ: Can behavioral health patients be given a face covering or mask to wear for source control ?
<https://www.jointcommission.org/standards/standard-faqs/behavioral-health/infection-prevention-and-control-ic/000002328/>

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What are the recommendations for COVID-19 prevention during group therapy?

CDC Guidance can be found within Clinical Questions about COVID-19: Questions and Answers <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/faq.html>

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Are N95 masks recommended for collection of COVID-19 swab tests?

Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens for COVID-19 : Collecting and Handling Specimens Safely
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/lab/guidelines-clinical-specimens.html>

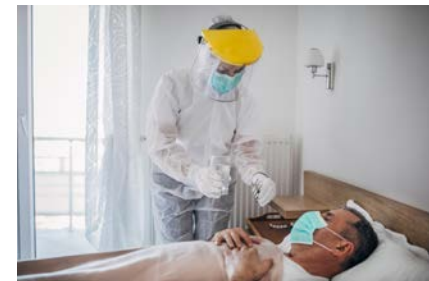
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I am given 1 mask to wear for a week. Is it healthy to wear the same face mask for a week?

Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of Facemasks: Crisis Strategy: Limited Reuse <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/face-masks.html>

Thank You

We support your efforts
in response to the
COVID-19 pandemic
and hope to provide
helpful resources



Resources

- COVID Resources

- <https://www.jointcommission.org/covid-19/>

- Standards Interpretation

- <https://www.jointcommission.org/standards/standard-faqs/>