COVID-19 Webinar for Nursing Care Centers

Q&A With The Joint Commission

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Pre-Submitted Questions

Expectations regarding distancing for 1:1 patient monitoring amidst COVID-19?
Pre-Submitted Questions

Will TJC be looking for COVID-19 specific policies?
Pre-Submitted Questions

How long will all of these waivers be in effect? It is difficult to keep track of exact timing with multitudes of information coming out in waves.
Pre-Submitted Questions

Is this statement intended just for retroactive not to be during the suspended survey or pandemic timeframe?
Our survey will focus on a thorough assessment but will not retroactively review compliance.
I have many Joint Commission Ambulatory sites under my wing and am wondering whether future accreditation visits are going to focus primarily on COVID-19 protocols, or will TJC be increasing their length of visits to include it with the traditional surveys?
Pre-Submitted Questions

One of the challenges in NCCs is residents sharing bathrooms in semi-private rooms. What are some interventions that could help prevent transmission?
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We are opening a new facility (no residents yet), what Covid19 guidelines apply for staff working in the facility?
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/