

Frequently Asked Questions

Q – What are the current travel related quarantine protocols for New Jersey?

Unvaccinated travelers and residents returning from any **U.S. state or territory** beyond the immediate region (New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Delaware) should self-quarantine at their home, hotel, or other temporary lodging following recommendations from the CDC:

- If travel is unavoidable, travelers should consider getting tested with a viral test (not an antibody test) 1-3 days before the trip and again 3-5 days after the trip.
- If travelers test positive, they should **self-isolate for at least 10 days and should postpone travel during that time.**
- If travelers test negative, they should **quarantine for a full 7 days after travel.**
- If testing is not available (or if the results are delayed), travelers should **quarantine for 10 days after travel.**

You no longer need to quarantine or get tested before/after domestic travel if you are fully vaccinated or have recovered from COVID-19 in the past three months:

- It has been more than two weeks since you received your second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna vaccine;
- It has been more than two weeks since you received your first and only dose of the Janssen/Johnson and Johnson vaccine; or,
- You have clinically recovered from COVID-19 in the past three months

Please note that for international travel, the federal requirement for testing upon return to the United States still stands for both unvaccinated and fully vaccinated travelers – additional details are listed below.

Unvaccinated travelers arriving from areas with increasing COVID-19 cases may wish to postpone their travel to the region if they are unwilling or unable to follow the quarantine advisory.

Unvaccinated travelers and those residents who are returning from states and territories beyond the immediate region should quarantine at their home, or a hotel or other temporary lodging. Unvaccinated individuals should leave the place of quarantine only to seek medical care/treatment or to obtain food and other essential items.

Please note that this advisory does not apply to unvaccinated individuals:

- Who are returning to New Jersey after traveling outside of the state for less than 24 hours or those traveling to New Jersey for less than 24 hours - *Even where travel is less than 24 hours, however, individuals are still discouraged from engaging in non-essential travel to other states to the extent possible*
- Who are in transit through the state to another destination, provided that the time spent in the state is only the amount of time necessary to complete the transit, make use of travel services, such as a highway rest stop, or make necessary travel connections

Q – If I test positive, will my results be shared?

A – The COVID-19 Response Team will need to communicate with the community if there is a positive case on campus. In addition, during the contact tracing efforts, the only information that will be shared is that they may have been in contact with someone who tested positive. We will assure your privacy and confidentiality throughout the process.

Q – What is the definition of a close contact?

A – A close contact is defined by CDC as someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic cases, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.

Q – What should secondary contacts do? I am not sick, but have been in close contact with someone who is under self-quarantine because they were in close contact with someone who tested positive?

A – Being a secondary contact does not require self-quarantine. However, you should continue to monitor your symptoms and if the person you were in close contact with tests positive, you should get tested and self-quarantine. If the person you were in close contact with tests positive, you will need to complete the [COVID-19 Reporting form](#).