



# JBLM COVID-19 Response Factsheet (BLUE HASH)



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Pierce County CDC COVID-19 Community Level: **LOW**

Yakima County CDC COVID-19 Community Level: **LOW**

## COVID-19

- COVID-19 Vaccinations (COVAX) hotline: (253) 968-4744.
- Madigan COVID Testing Tent is across from the Madigan ER. It is open 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., M – F and 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday. **Closed Sundays and Federal Holidays.**
- Madigan is testing ALL symptomatic personnel (Active Duty SMs, Beneficiaries and DoD Civilians/Contractors). Madigan will continue to test asymptomatic individuals that are 1) scheduled for a procedure/ surgery, 2) scheduled for official DoD travel that requires testing, and 3) needing a test for return to school purposes. All must have their DOD ID number (including children) when presenting for a test.
- Units are encouraged to arrange for any deployment related testing within their unit footprint. **I AW FRAGO 24 to I Corps OPORD 411-20, an O6 signed memo is now required to receive a 'rapid' PCR. Without the signed O6 memo testing will be conducted via standard PCR.**
- Masks are now optional throughout the area and on JBLM. HOWEVER, masks will continue to be REQUIRED indoors at healthcare (including dental clinics) facilities, to include all Madigan buildings and regardless of vaccination status.
- Madigan is no longer distributing antigen-based COVID-19 home test kits.
- DoD personnel at JBLM will follow Blue Hash protocols for Pierce County; DoD personnel at YTC will follow Blue Hash protocols for Yakima County.

## Joint Base Lewis-McChord

- Madigan urgently needs blood donations due to COVID-19 positive restrictions on normal supply sources. Individuals can donate blood by calling (253) 968-1850 to schedule. The blood bank's website is: <https://madigan.tricare.mil/Clinics/Armed-Services-Blood-Bank-Center-PNW>
- **Country entry requirements (vaccination/testing) can be found at the top of the DoD Foreign Clearance Guide (FCG) <https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/fcg.cfm>**
- **Isolation and Quarantine Guidance can be found in the JBLM COVID-19 DSM - 2022\_03\_18.**
- The CDC Community Level for Pierce and Yakima Counties can be checked at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>. These CDC COVID-19 Community Levels will be updated in the Blue Hash as needed. IAW CDC and DoD guidance, implement the following procedures based upon current CDC community levels:
  - When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County rises to **HIGH**—indoor and public transportation mask wear **is required for all personnel (vaccinated and unvaccinated)**, weekly screening tests for unvaccinated personnel **required** for access to DoD facilities.
  - When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County is **MEDIUM** —indoor mask wearing **is not required (EXCEPTIONS WHERE MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED: Military Treatment Facilities, Public Transportation and for all adults in Child Development Centers)**, weekly screening tests for unvaccinated personnel **required** for access to DoD facilities.
  - **When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County drops to LOW — indoor mask wearing is not required (EXCEPTIONS WHERE MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED: Military Treatment Facilities and Public Transportation); screening testing for unvaccinated personnel is not required for access to DoD facilities**
  - **NOTE:** Updated masking guidance does not apply to Madigan or other MTFs. Regardless of Community Level, mask wear continues to be required when presenting for medical care. All personnel can choose to continue masking based upon their individual preference. **In situations where an individual chooses to mask voluntarily, cloth masks can continue to be worn.**
  - **Current Pierce and Yakima County COVID-19 Community Levels are updated by the CDC weekly -- accordingly masking/facility access policies are subject to change.**
- Common facilities (Army DFACs, On-base restaurants, Exchanges, Commissary, MWR facilities, Warrior Zone, gyms, retail facilities, religious services, Waller Hall and all training in indoor classrooms, etc.) are authorized to operate at 100% capacity. Future Community Transmission Levels will inform adjustments to occupancy capacities. CYS facilities continue to operate at 100% capacity.
- **Transportation:** IAW DoD FHP Guidance (rev 3), all individuals must wear a mask on DoD aircraft, boats and other maritime conveyances, and buses traveling into, within, or out of the United States, and indoor DoD transportation hubs, regardless of vaccination status and the CDC COVID-19 Community Levels.

## Additional Information:

- Madigan and Dental Clinics Facebook Page: [Madigan and Dental Facebook Page](#) JBLM Website: [JBLM Homepage](#) Washington State School Status Updates: [Washington School District Information](#) MWR CDC/CYS info: [JBLM School & Childcare Information](#)

## I Corps (USA)

- **Although not mandatory, DoD strongly recommends personnel receive one updated (bivalent) booster if it has been at least 2 months since their last COVID-19 vaccine dose, whether that was their final primary series dose, or an original (monovalent) booster. People who have gotten more than one original (monovalent) booster are also recommended to get an updated (bivalent) booster.**

## Guidance for events:

- **When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County is LOW – No PAX limit. Personnel will self-screen and may only attend if they do not have symptoms.**
- Commanders cannot invite unvaccinated personnel to travel to JBLM to attend meetings or events unless those personnel have an approved ETP from the SECARMY stating their travel is "mission critical."
- Non-DoD witnesses called by either the Government or Defense for a Court-Martial are considered to be accessing DoD facilities for an ad hoc purpose. Vaccination, screening, and verification requirements for visitors to DoD facilities do not apply to non-DoD court-martial witnesses, however all other force health protection requirements remain in effect (i.e., masking).

## Guidance for Unvaccinated Travel:

- **Individuals who are not fully vaccinated, or who decline to provide information about their vaccination status, are limited to official travel that the Under Secretary of the Army determines is mission critical. This restriction on official travel applies to both domestic and international travel. (refer to Under Secretary of the Army memo "Updated Official Travel Guidance" 17 OCT 2022)**

## 62d Airlift Wing (USAF)

- 62 AW/CC email, dtd 26 May 2022, COVID-19 Update
- USecAF Memo, dtd 9 Mar 2022, provides blanket waiver for DAF-sponsored events with less than 250 participants
- 62 AW/CC email, dtd 14 Mar 2022, Updated COVID-19 Guidance and Mask Wear Policy
- 62 AW/CC published Coronavirus 2019 Requirements Memo, dtd 6 January 2022.
- For questions concerning 62 AW COVID-19 call PH, (253) 982-3717. Aircrew contact on-call Flight Surgeon via McChord CP, (253) 982-2635.

