

**☑ COVID-19 UPDATE**

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*This message is for all Bozeman Health employees from Incident Command.*

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**Update to Travel Guidelines****Here's what's happening...**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has come out with new requirements regarding returning to the United States from international travel. These requirements take effect today, January 26, 2021.

**Travel: International**

For employees and medical staff that are planning to travel internationally, please note that you will need to get tested no more than three days before you travel by air back into the United States and must show your negative result to the airline before you board your flights. Or, you must be prepared to show documentation of recovery (proof of a recent positive viral test and a letter from your healthcare provider or a public health office stating that you are cleared to travel).

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/testing-air-travel.html>

**Travel: Domestic**

As a reminder, these are the previous guidelines sent out by Bozeman Health based on CDC guidance that still remain in effect (since June 2020):

- Employees traveling out-of-state for any reason will not be required to self-quarantine for 14 days upon their return to Montana.
- Twice daily self-monitoring is still required and employees should refrain from travel and stay home from work if they have any signs or symptoms of illness.
- If an employee or member of the medical staff does travel, it is recommended that they adhere to strict hand and respiratory hygiene and wear a cloth face covering when proper social distancing cannot be maintained.
- Earned time requests must still follow the proper process and chain of command with your direct supervisor.

We understand that more travel restrictions are coming. Often these come with very little notice. We remain committed to communicating these restrictions as soon as we can with employees, but we also suggest checking the CDC's website on a regular basis at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/>.

**Here's why...**

The safety of our employees remains one of our top priorities. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve and new information becomes available, we are committed to reviewing and sharing this information as it relates to our health system and community.

**Questions or comments?** Contact your system director.