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## COVID-19 GUIDELINES FOR JPS PSYCHOLOGY INTERNS

*Note: The information below is current as of June 9, 2021, but COVID precautions continue to evolve at JPS and across the nation. Inquiries for the most current guidelines at JPS should be directed to Dr. Katherine Weber, Assistant Training Director, JPS Division of Psychology Doctoral Internship Training Program at [KWEber@JPSHealth.org](mailto:KWEber@JPSHealth.org). Dr. Weber will direct any questions she cannot answer to the Clinical Experiences Department.*

As a psychology intern participating in the JPS Health Network (JPS) internship, you are required to comply with any and all policies and procedures related to COVID-19 implemented by JPS and applicable local, state and federal agencies while you are present on JPS premises.

These include:

1. All psychology interns will need to enter JPS facilities through designated hospital and clinic entries where they can be actively screened. Interns should not arrive onsite if they have any symptoms of illness. Interns must answer screening questions truthfully and disclose any symptoms, exposures, or diagnoses of COVID-19. Approved entry to the facility is based on the outcome of the screening.
2. All psychology interns must wear a hospital-provided medical-grade surgical mask over their nose and mouth at all times, except while eating or drinking.
3. All psychology interns must wear eye protection during all direct patient care.
4. Hand hygiene is performed according to policy (IC 111) while in JPS facilities. Strict adherence is expected at all times.
5. Social distancing should be observed at all times, especially during meals and breaks. Congregating not required for educational purposes is prohibited.
6. Psychology interns will not be assigned to patients with positive or suspected COVID-19. However, all psychology interns providing direct patient care must have an N95 mask on their person at all times. N95s must only be used during aerosolizing procedures and during care as instructed by JPS faculty / staff per JPS PPE Guidelines.



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#### N95 information:

- Psychology interns will provide their own N95 mask. JPS clinical areas will not provide N95 masks or fit test students/instructors.
- The students/instructors must only wear an N95 mask brand and size they have been fit tested to wear.
- It is the responsibility of the school to complete fit testing or verify approved fit testing completion for all students/instructors. The school will provide the exact brand and size N95 that the student/instructor was fit tested to wear.
- Students/instructors will date their N95 mask with the first date worn in a visible area on the mask. Students/instructors will comply with JPS guidelines for proper donning, doffing, storage, re-use and extended use of their N95 mask. JPS will not provide local decontamination procedures.

Compliance and adherence to these guidelines are mandatory. Students/instructors are responsible for becoming familiar with and complying with any other subsequent policies or procedures that JPS may implement as the COVID-19 pandemic evolves. Failure to do so may result in removal from the clinical environment. Continued access to JPS facilities for clinical rotations is subject to JPS approval. JPS shall have the right, in its sole discretion and at any time, to discontinue clinical rotations and exclude from its premises any interns or other trainees.