

APPENDIX C: HOME ISOLATION

What does it mean to be isolated?

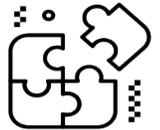


Stay at home except to get medical care.

You should restrict activities outside your home, except for getting medical care. Do not go to work, school, or public areas. Do not use public transportation, ride-sharing, or taxis. You will need to make arrangements to have groceries and household items delivered to your home. If you need help with this, please let us know.

Separate yourself from other people in your home.

As much as possible, you should stay in a specific room and away from other people in your home. Also, you should use a separate bathroom, if available.



Wear a facemask.

You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then people who live with you should not stay in the same room with you, or they should wear a facemask if they enter your room.

Cover your coughs and sneezes.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw used tissues in a lined trash can and wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, immediately clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, covering all surfaces of your hands and rubbing them together until they feel dry. Soap and water should be used preferentially if hands are visibly dirty.



Clean your hands.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, covering all surfaces of your hands and rubbing them together until they feel dry. Soap and water should be used preferentially if hands are visibly dirty. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Avoid sharing personal household items.

You should not share dishes, drinking glasses, cups, eating utensils, towels, or bedding with other people in your home. After using these items, they should be washed thoroughly with soap and water.



Monitor your symptoms.

Seek prompt medical attention if your symptoms worsen. Before seeking care, call your healthcare provider and tell them that you have, or may have, novel coronavirus infection. Put on a facemask before you enter the facility. These steps will help the healthcare provider's office to keep other people from getting infected or exposed. Ask your healthcare provider to call the Sonoma County Public Health Department (707-565-4566). **If you need emergency medical care call 911** and tell them you have, or may have, novel coronavirus infection.

If you have questions or are having difficulty maintaining your isolation, please contact the Sonoma County Public Health Department at 707-565-4566.