



COVID Policy

What you need to know about NCP's updated COVID Policy:

1. **Indoor masking for communal spaces (auditorium, kitchen, and bathrooms) is required. Indoor masking for smaller groups may be waived if agreed upon by the entire cohort for a specific space, i.e. a classroom.**
2. **Guests are required to sign in and attest to being free of COVID symptoms and exposure.**
3. **COVID testing is strongly recommended for those who visit the NCP facility within 5 days of travel.**
4. **Eating is not permitted inside the facility in communal spaces. Communal spaces are defined as areas used by a mixed group of people rather than by one cohort.**

Dear NCP community:

As NCP moves into Summer 2023, we are updating our COVID Policy to reflect new information and city and state mandates.

The New Center for Psychoanalysis has created the following policy to balance the continued need for community safety with the desire for more in-person socialization. This policy aims to keep all members of our community safe and comfortable as they attend in-person events while relaxing policies when appropriate to facilitate in-person connections.

The following policy and procedures have taken into consideration the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.



All staff, students, faculty, members, and guests who physically access the New Center for Psychoanalysis facility must adhere to the NCP COVID Policy. We rely on each community member to take responsibility for their health and safety to support the community's safety.

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NCP protocols are as follows:

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- 1. Indoor masking is required for events with over 30 people. Indoor masking for smaller groups, 30 or fewer, may be determined by the cohort. Masking in internal communal spaces (auditorium, kitchen, and bathrooms) is still required.**

Masking for all is encouraged, and masks are available—free of charge upon entering the building.

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- 2. Guests are required to sign in and attest to being free of COVID symptoms and exposure.**

Symptom Monitoring Questions:

- In the past 24 hours, have you experienced any of the following (not due to allergies or other chronic medical conditions): If you answered YES, please do not visit NCP.
 - Fever (at or above 100.4 Fahrenheit or 38 degrees Celsius)
 - Used medicine to reduce fever
 - Feeling feverish
 - Chills
 - Cough
 - Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 - Sore throat
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Diarrhea
 - Severe fatigue
 - Headache
 - Loss of sense of taste or smell
 - Nasal congestion



- Nausea
- Vomiting

If you have tested positive for COVID in the past 10 days, have you tested negative before visiting NCP?

If you answered NO, please do not visit NCP.

- Are you currently staying at home because of illness, concern over COVID exposure, or because you were placed into quarantine by your provider or public health officer?
If you answered YES, please do not visit NCP.

Information required on the sign-in sheet:

1. First and Last Name
2. Date of visit
3. Arrival and departure time from the facility
4. Signature acknowledging the reading and understanding of the above-mentioned Symptom Monitoring Questions

3. COVID testing is strongly recommended for those who visit the NCP facility within 5 days of travel.

If you have flown or had extensive travel in the last 5 days, we encourage you to take a COVID test with a 24-hour window of visiting NCP.

Please only visit the facility if the results are negative.

5. Eating is not permitted inside the facility in communal spaces. Communal spaces are defined as areas used by a mixed group of people rather than by one cohort.

To accommodate food at events the following options are available

1. For food at events for over 30 people, tables can be set up in the reception area, but eating should take place outside, or in designated areas (i.e. classrooms).
2. For food at events under 30 people, smaller spaces such as classrooms should be used, allowing for communal spaces like the Kitchen to remain available to all.



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Support Equipment: all available upon request.

- Two (2)- 10x10 tents
- Three (3)-6 foot tables
- Five (5)- cocktail tables, 4 available at seated or standing height (1 standing height only)
- Twenty (20) - outdoor appropriate chairs
- Garden lighting

The patio off the kitchen is always available for outdoor seating.

COVID Reporting Responsibility:

If staff is informed of a possible COVID exposure, they will inform any individual or cohort who may have had contact with the infected person. The name of the individual with COVID will not be shared.

NCP administration reserves the right to update or change this policy at any time in accordance with best practices, assumed community risk, and local government guidelines.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

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