

COVID-19 Guideline for Funeral Trips and Deathbed Visits

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Introduction

- The purpose of this protocol is to ensure consistent COVID-19 mitigation strategies across the Prisons Division for approved Funeral Trips and Deathbed Visits for Incarcerated Individuals departing from and returning to our correctional facilities.
- All Funeral Trips and Deathbed Visits will be in accordance with DOC 420.110 Escorted Leaves and Furloughs and/or DOC 420.115 Special Escorted Leave for Funerals/Deathbed Visits on Tribal Lands.

Required COVID-19 Mitigation Strategies

- Incarcerated Individuals must have a negative rapid antigen test (RAT) prior to departing the facility. Testing to be in accordance with the most current version of the WA State DOC COVID-19 Screening, Testing, and Infection Control Guideline.
- Escorting staff and Incarcerated Individual(s) will wear DOC issued surgical masks at all times during the trip.
- Escorting staff will have hand sanitizer available to use after contacts.
- Social distancing as appropriate, but brief hugs allowed similar to on-site visiting.
- Upon return to the facility, the individual will be placed back into general population.
- The Individual will be restricted from all work and programming for 10 days after return.
- The Individual will be rapid antigen tested (RAT) daily for 10 days after return.