

Covid and Influenza Policy

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The CSC and LC will continue to evaluate the BHT COVID and Infectious Disease policies, updating the congregation of any changes as quickly as possible. The BHT Leadership Council (LC) and Covid/Infectious Disease Safety Committee (CSC) recently reviewed our Safety Policy. All recommendations are based on the best scientific information available and are guidelines in an effort to protect the most vulnerable members of our congregation and elevate as our highest value "Pikuach Nefesh," the saving of life and the preservation of health. The following guidelines were adopted as best practice for the foreseeable future (until further notice).

VACCINES: It is recommended that all Temple members, visitors and staff ages 6 months and up be vaccinated and boosted according to CDC guidelines.

RETURN TO IN-PERSON TEMPLE EVENTS/SERVICES: SYMPTOMATIC AND POSITIVE TEST:

May not attend temple events in person until:

- If you have had a fever, you must be fever-free for at least 24 hours.
- You must have a negative Covid test.
- Symptoms must be markedly diminished. Masking with an N95 or KN95 are highly recommended for anyone with symptoms and must be worn for a minimum of 5 days after symptoms have markedly diminished. KN95 masks are available at both BHT entrances.

BHT COVID AND INFLUENZA EXPOSURE:

May not attend temple events in person until;

- You should test Covid negative.
- You should have no symptoms.
- You should wear a mask for at least 5 and up to 10 days from the time of exposure. When masking, an *N95 or KN95 masks are strongly preferred, with KN95 masks available at both BHT entrances.

While the CSC and LC aim to protect the health of our entire Temple community, we acknowledge that each individual must decide based on their own medical circumstances whether and when they are safe attending events in the Temple.

PLEASE NOTE: Our policies will continue to change with further CDC recommendations and changing infections and vaccination rates.

**As always, please DO NOT come to Temple if you have any Flu or COVID-like

symptoms**

***The best defense against Flu and COVID is vaccinations. We encourage all children 6 months and older, as well as adults who are eligible to get vaccinated and boosted. ***

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