



For Immediate Release

DOC Reopens Public Visitation

4/19/2021 (Anchorage) – The Alaska Department of Corrections is reopening public visitation beginning Wednesday, 4/21/2021, at all DOC institutions statewide*.

For public visitation to take place, all requirements listed below must be met:

- Inmate must be fully vaccinated (per the CDC, people are considered fully vaccinated if at least two weeks have passed since they received the second dose of a two-dose series (Moderna or Pfizer) OR at least two weeks have passed since receiving a single dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson).
- Visitors will be subject to a COVID-19 entry point screening, including temperature readings.
- Face masks covering the nose and mouth are required at all times while inside the institution.
- Appointments are required. Please call the facility directly to schedule.
- No physical contact is allowed at any time; secure visitation only.

“We are excited to be able to open our facilities to the public for visitation once again,” said Commissioner Nancy Dahlstrom. “This has been a challenging year and we appreciate everyone’s patience and flexibility as we gradually restore our facilities to their pre-COVID operations.”

By appointment only, institutional lobbies will also reopen 4/21/2021 to collect bail and contributions to Offender Trust Accounts. DOC continues to follow CDC Guidelines in an effort to keep those who live and work in our facilities safe.

**Please note, due to recent positive cases, visitation at Anchorage Correctional Complex and Ketchikan Correctional Center remains suspended at this time. Please check the DOC COVID-19 website for updates.*

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