1.0 POLICY STATEMENT

The University of Alaska Fairbanks opts to follow CDC Guidance, State of Alaska Outbreak Health Orders, and UA Policies as they pertain to COVID-19. This document establishes policies that are not otherwise addressed in UAF policies.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

Strict social distancing: The State of Alaska stipulates the following while observing strict social distancing: You may be in an outdoor public place, but must remain six feet away from anyone not in your immediate household, and you must wear a face covering. You may arrange curbside shopping or have food delivery. You cannot enter restaurants, bars, gyms, community centers, sporting facilities (i.e., ice rinks, gymnasiums, and sports domes), office buildings, and school or daycare facilities. Do not participate in any group activities, including sporting events and practices, weddings, funerals, or other gatherings.

Close contact: “Close contact” means being within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic clients, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated. Individuals that recovered in the last 90 days from a COVID-19 infection and are without COVID-19 symptoms are not considered a “close contact.”

Quarantine: Quarantine is for people who are close contacts, but have not tested positive for the virus. During quarantine, you must stay in your residence and cannot leave except to seek medical care.

Up to date: means a person has received all recommended doses in their primary series COVID-19 vaccine, and a booster dose when eligible.
3.0 GENERAL ACCESS POLICY

Anyone coming onto university campuses or sites, including contractors, must comply with applicable operational guidelines and protective measures including the UAF Face Coverings Policy.

Any person that is COVID-19 positive or has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should not come onto UAF premises. See section 5.0 for quarantine and isolation guidelines.

4.0 STUDENT COVID-19 TESTING POLICY

All students moving into residence halls will need to follow our testing process:

1. Take an COVID-19 antigen test within 72 hours of arrival, at the airport, or upon arrival on campus.
2. Take a second antigen test three days after the first test is conducted.

If you are not vaccinated, you will need to observe strict social distancing until your test comes back negative. Students who are fully vaccinated do not need too strict social distance.

5.0 QUARANTINE and ISOLATION

5.1 Quarantine
Individuals that are a close contact may be subject to quarantine. If you have been exposed to COVID-19 and you are:

- Not up-to-date on vaccinations - stay home for 5 days after you were exposed. Get tested on day 5-7, or sooner if you develop symptoms
- Up-to-date on vaccinations - get tested on days 5-7 after you were exposed, or sooner if you develop symptoms.
- Recovered from COVID-19 in the past 90 days - staying home and/or testing is not necessary.

5.2 Isolation
Individuals that have tested positive for COVID-19 may not come to campus until they are cleared to return. A COVID-positive individual must remain off-campus (or in the UAF Isolation Hall, if they live in a UAF residence hall) for 5 days. On day 6, they may take an over-the-counter antigen test. If it is negative, their symptoms are resolving, and they are fever-free.
(without fever-reducing medication), they may return to class and work but must wear a well-fitted face covering for the remaining 5 days. If it is positive, they must remain at home and may take a second antigen test on day 8. If that is negative, they can return as outlined above. If it is positive, they need to remain at home for an additional 2 days. At that time (day 11), they can return to campus provided they do not have a fever and their symptoms are resolving.

6.0 REFERENCES RELIED UPON

UAF COVID-19 face coverings

7.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Maintaining onsite operations depends on the ability to effectively manage COVID-19 at UAF. All individuals are responsible for being familiar with and adhering to UAF and guidelines.

8.0 NON-COMPLIANCE

University Employees:
University employees are expected to comply with these policies as a condition of employment. Non-compliance reports should be submitted to employee supervisors or to Human Resources.

University Students:
Students are expected to follow these policies when at a location owned or operated by the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Students that fail to comply will be subject to disciplinary action under the Student Code of Conduct (09.02). Failure to comply with these policies could result in educational sanctions, university probation, loss of housing, suspension or expulsion.

Members of the public, and visitors on campus:
Individuals who are not UAF employees or students and who fail to comply with these policies may be excluded from UAF facilities, property, or programs and will be subject to trespass from properties owned or operated by UAF.

9.0 EXEMPTIONS
10.0 PROCEDURES

This policy document will be reviewed regularly by the UAF Business Continuity Team (BCT), at least monthly.

THIS POLICY IS EFFECTIVE AS OF March 22, 2022. THE POLICY IS APPROVED:

__________________________________________ Date: March 24, 2022
Daniel M. White, Chancellor
University of Alaska Fairbanks