



# KOOTENAI COUNTY

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## **Juvenile Detention COVID-19 Update**

We would like to assure you the health and safety of the juveniles in our care is our primary concern. Our nurse is monitoring everyone's health daily. The risk for exposure to our current juvenile population is individuals entering the facility who have been exposed. Our staff are maintaining a high standard of preventative measures to limit exposure.

We ask law enforcement, attorneys and counselors to consider phone appointments when possible. Only essential professional visitors are permitted to enter the facility.

**Visitation** for Parents/Guardians/Grandparents will be conducted by telephone on Saturdays and Sundays between 10:00-11:30 a.m. and 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Please call to schedule a 15-minute phone appointment. If you cannot be available during this time, please contact our office. Juveniles will still have normal access for phone use through Telemate.

Court hearings are being conducted by video only. Parents / Guardians / Grandparents may attend from the JJC or the primary custodial Parents or Guardians may attend at the JDC. Visitors that do not have a legal reason to be in court will NOT be permitted.

Any person accessing our facility will be required to wash their hands in our lobby and use hand sanitizer after screening. If you are exhibiting any symptoms of illness, you will not be allowed into the facility.

As this situation evolves, our policies and procedures may change. Our Administration will provide updates, as they are available. Thank you for your patience.