

COVID-19 & In-Person Services at the BHPN

Your health is important to us

We have always valued the health and safety of our clients, their families and caregivers, as well as our staff, and continue to do so throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Our commitment to providing the safest in-person care is made possible by following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and local and state requirements. The COVID-19 safety practices at the BHPN have been implemented to keep you and your Care Team in good health.

In compliance with the State of California mandates, the BHPN has provided the guidance below to our providers to reduce the risks associated with COVID-19 for in-person services, including:

- It is our understanding that all BHPN practitioners providing in-person services in clinics, centers or healthcare offices be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or undergo weekly testing for COVID-19, effective August 23, 2021*. This extends to all on-site staff as well.
- For in-home sessions, we continue to ask that all family members, house guests or others in the home wear a mask when in the same room as their BHPN practitioner or move to a separate, closed-door room prior to the practitioner's arrival.
- We ask that all clients receiving in-person care continue wearing masks during sessions. For individuals who have challenges wearing masks, we ask that they be worn as long as possible during sessions and that this remains part of their treatment plan if needed.

All clients and caregivers receiving in-person care, as well as their BHPN practitioners, can cancel sessions if it is determined that COVID-19 guidelines are not being followed.

We understand that these changing state and local guidelines can cause disruption to your family's routine and treatment plan, and the BHPN is committed to your family, the services we deliver, and your health and safety. The continuation of in-person services is dependent on everyone involved following these guidelines. Please reach out to your Clinical Case Manager with any concerns or questions.



BHPN Tip If your child is struggling with the change in mandates, ask your Care Team about creating a custom social story to help them adjust. You can reach out to them directly on the myBrightlink app made just for BHPN clients!

** Effective September 30, 2021, it is our understanding that weekly COVID-19 testing is needed for healthcare workers working in clinics and doctor offices who are exempt from COVID-19 vaccinations due to religious beliefs or qualifying medical reasons.*