

Allegheny County Bureau of Corrections Attorney Visitation Process

Since COVID-19 landed in Allegheny County in early 2020, The Allegheny County Jail has followed guidance from the CDC, Allegheny County Department of Health and Pennsylvania Department of Corrections.

The administration at the ACJ continues to enforce social distancing and the proper wearing of surgical masks across the facility. Additionally, the consistent cleaning of heavily used surfaces was implemented over a year ago and continues daily.

The Allegheny County Jail will continue to follow the CDC guidelines and advice from our health experts.



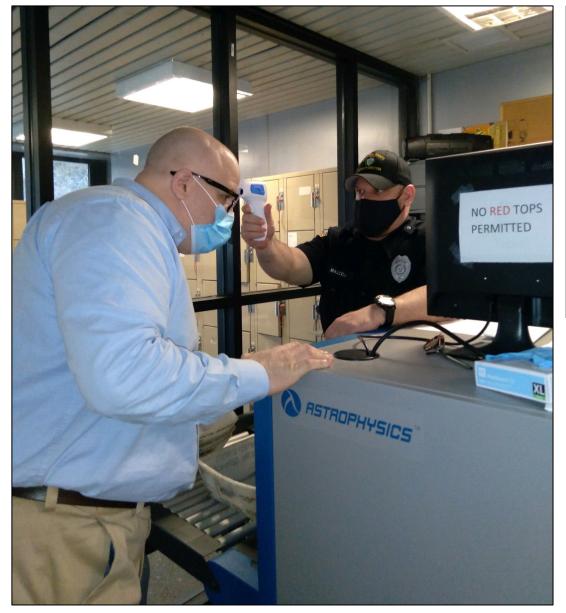
Since Wednesday, July 8, 2020, the ACJ has allowed attorneys to visit the facility to speak with their clients. Attorneys can meet with their clients behind glass, and they must follow the jail's guidelines addressing the potential spread of COVID-19.

This slideshow provides a walk-through presentation for attorneys visiting the Allegheny County Jail to meet with clients.



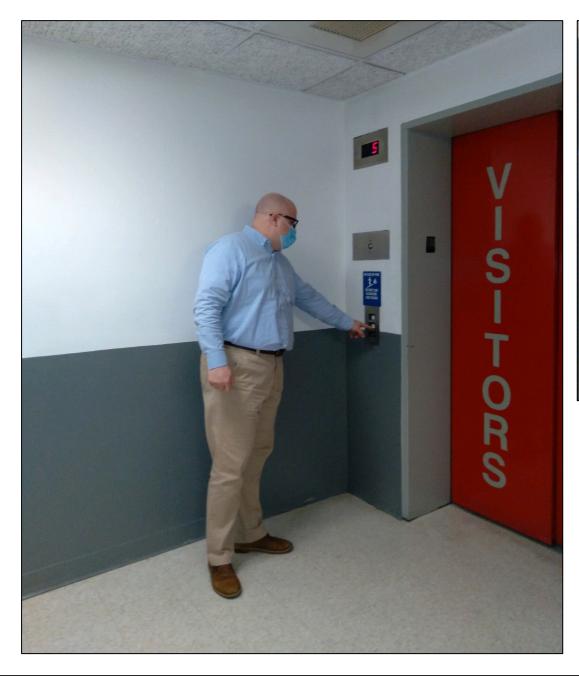


Once an attorney arrives at the ACJ, he or she may place any valuables or restricted items in a locker for safe keeping. These areas are routinely sanitized by jail employees. **Mask covering is mandatory to enter the building.**





Before going through the metal detector and signing in with the officer at the front desk, the attorney has his or her temperature checked. If the temperature is too high, a follow-up temperature will be taken. If the second temperature is not within the proper range, the attorney will not be allowed entrance to the facility.





Once the attorney has signed in and passed COVID-19 protocols, he or she is directed to the Visitor Elevator on Level 1M. This elevator will take the attorney to a visit with their client. These surfaces are routinely sanitized by ACJ employees.



Once the attorney reaches his or her destination, they have access to cleaning products and towels to sanitize any necessary surfaces in the visitation area. These surfaces are also routinely sanitized by ACJ employees and/or inmates.



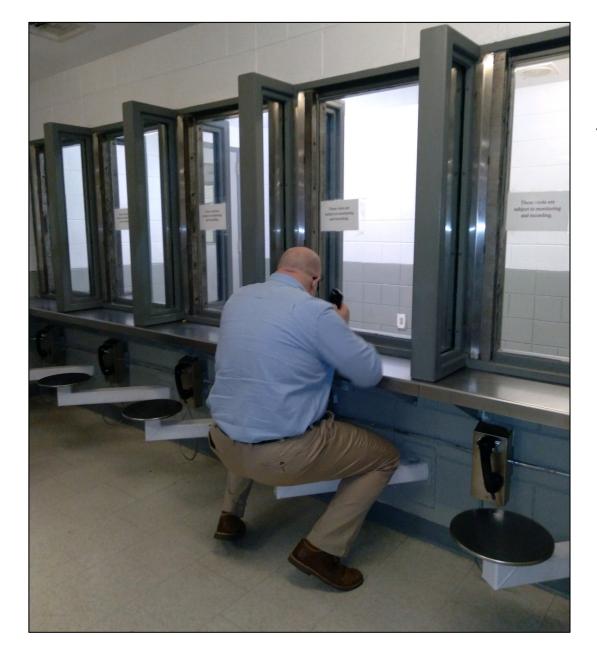


Once inside the visiting area, the attorney can meet their client behind closed glass. The attorney may speak with their client through the telephone on the wall. These areas are routinely sanitized by ACJ employees and/or inmates. As stated in the previous slide, attorneys may also use the cleaning tools in the hallway to further sanitize the visiting booth.

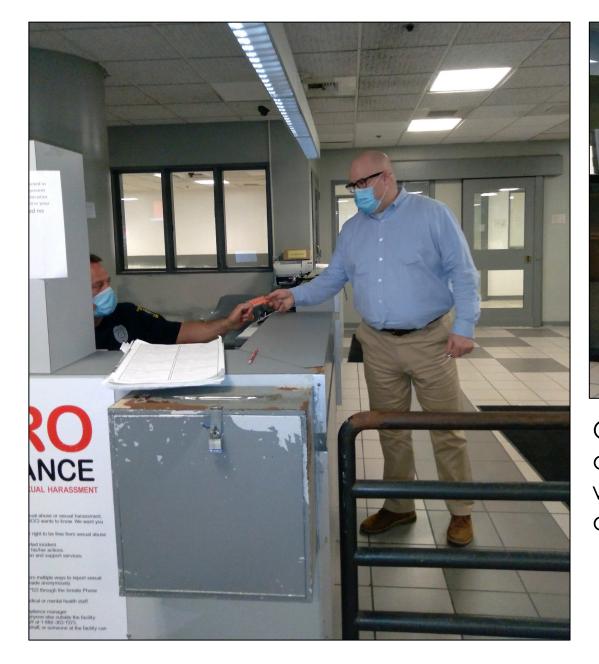


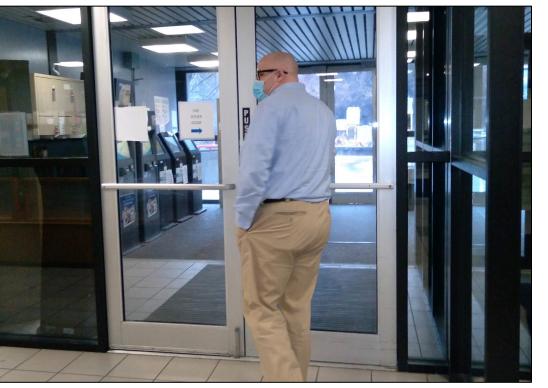


Attorneys may also visit their clients on Level 1 in the Contact Visiting Room. These visits are also conducted behind glass. Surfaces in this area are routinely sanitized by ACJ employees and/or inmates.



Once inside the visiting area, the attorney can meet their client behind closed glass. The attorney may speak with their client through the telephone under the glass. These areas are routinely sanitized by ACJ employees and/or inmates. Attorneys may also use the cleaning tools outside the visiting area to further sanitize the visiting booth.





Once the visit is complete, the attorney is directed back up to the main entrance, where he or she checks out with the officer on duty.