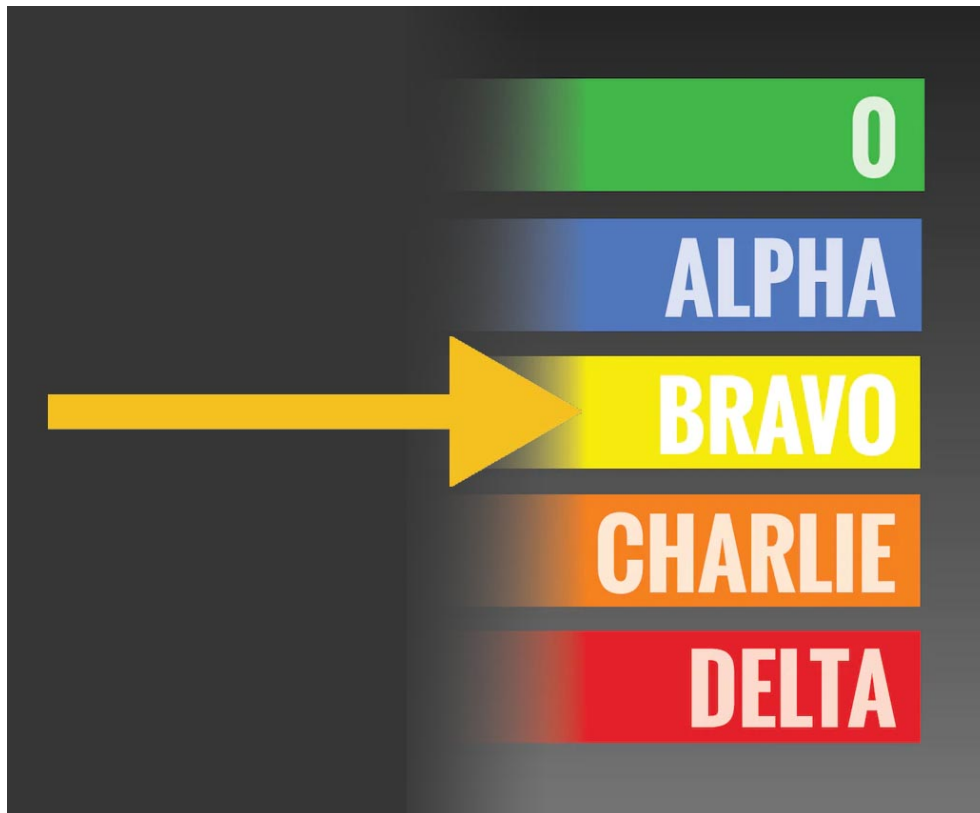


Carlisle Barracks shifts to indoor masks for ALL -- Health Protection Condition BRAVO

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Indoor masks for ALL, and HPCON-Bravo are the proactive, new measures designed to slow or halt the spread of COVID across the vaccinated, unvaccinated, and youth/other personnel who cannot yet get a vaccinations.

Like many Army installations, Carlisle Barracks moves to a proactive set of mitigation measures prompted by an uptick in regional COVID cases, COVID-related hospitalizations, and the observable increase in community transmission of the COVID delta variant.

As of Thursday, August 5, service members, federal employees, onsite contractor employees and visitors – regardless of vaccination status – must wear a mask consistently while indoors on the grounds of Carlisle Barracks. Exceptions are limited to these: when alone in an enclosed

workspace, when eating/drinking while maintaining 6-foot distance, when lowering is required for identification/ security purposes, for authorized reasonable accommodation, or in your own home.

With the installation shift to Health Protection Condition-Bravo, directors are directed to manage mission accomplishment and the health of the force. “There is no single percentage of workforce attendance that meets everyone’s needs,” noted AWC Chief of Staff Col. Lance Oskey. Under HPCon-Bravo, the installation will decelerate the shift from widespread telework toward 100 percent on-site work employment.

AWC resident seminars will meet in traditional, face-to-face seminar rooms, with room capacity caps. Every seminar room is fitted with an OWL, turning every seminar into a hybrid-ready learning environment, as needed.

The Welcome Expo, a post-town partnership, introduces Carlisle Barracks newcomers to more than 80 clubs, activities, and vendors. It will take place out of doors, centered on the gazebo on the historic parade field, with a handful of vendors in Jim Thorpe Fitness Center, Wed, Aug. 11, 9 am to 1 pm.

Opening Ceremony, a traditional event with the Old Guard in honor of the Army War College class, is scheduled to take place at Indian Field, Friday, Aug. 13 at 4 pm. The event will be live-streamed at www.armywarcollege.edu/live.

These moves characterize “the new normal” – seeking to live, work, study and play fully and safely. Carlisle Barracks personnel can expect continual monitoring of regional and on-base cases, with shifts in mitigation measures as supported by DoD-directed metrics.

If you’ve been waiting for the right time to get a COVID vaccination, your actions now can slow the spread. Make a COVID vaccine appointment with Dunham Army Health Clinic by calling 717.245.3400. Dunham administers the Moderna shot to ages 18 and older. Any student or employee at Carlisle Barracks is eligible for COVID vaccination at Dunham, as well as all TRICARE beneficiaries.