

Governor's Office
2021 Legislative Session
COVID-19 Policy

The 2021 Legislature intends to conduct a hybrid session commencing on March 1, which means that, in addition to providing virtual means, many legislators will appear in person in the Capitol to conduct the business of the session. However, COVID-19 is still prevalent and still presents a serious risk. The legislators have been given the opportunity to obtain the COVID-19 vaccine and many have taken advantage of this opportunity. But, the Governor's office staff are not yet eligible for the vaccine and therefore, do not have immunity to the virus.

To keep the Governor's office staff safe and healthy during the session, but to enable the office to participate in the legislative process in a meaningful way, we ask that legislators and lobbyists follow these protocols during the session:

1. If you need to discuss a bill or an issue with someone in the Governor's office, please call or text to arrange a conference call or a virtual meeting. All staff phone numbers and email addresses are attached.
2. If a conference call or virtual meeting is not feasible, the staff member may make arrangements to meet at an alternative location, other than the Governor's Offices. We have made arrangements to use other conference rooms in the Capitol that allow these meetings, if necessary, but do not expose other colleagues.
3. The Governor's office intends to conduct all meetings virtually to the extent possible. If, however, you are invited to attend an in-person meeting in the Governor's office, all health orders will be adhered to, including the requirement of face coverings, temperature checks, social distancing and the limitation of the number of people allowed to gather.
4. All public bill signings will be done virtually. Please contact Darlene Abrams at **307-777-7434** or darlene.abrams@wyo.gov if you would like a virtual bill signing. Any in-person bill signing must be approved by the Governor and will adhere to all health orders as described in section 3 above.
5. Testimony to committees will be provided by the Governor and by staff via virtual/video media.