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# COMMUNIQUÉ

## IMPORTANT - New Recommended Masking Measures

### For immediate release

**(Kahnawake – 15, Ohiarikhó:wa/July 2021)** The Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Public Health Department and the Public Safety Commission wish to remind the community of newly-updated Recommended Masking Measures for those who have been partially or fully vaccinated.

These new recommendations are meant as a guide, but it is up to the individual and his/her accepted level of risk. Those who are in vulnerable population, 70+ and/or immunocompromised, and those who are not vaccinated are always at a higher risk of serious illness due to COVID-19.

### Important:

- Masking measures are **still mandatory in all public indoor spaces**
- Masking measures are **still mandatory for all local businesses and public buildings**, in common spaces (exception in meeting rooms or offices where spaced at a 2-meter distance between participants)
- Masking measures are mandatory when in public/community owned vehicles when occupied by two or more individuals
- Be aware that masking measures for Kahnawà:ke may differ from that of Quebec.

When you are fully vaccinated (in a private setting or outdoor public setting):

- No mask or physical distancing required when **outdoors** with a small group
- No mask or physical distancing required when **outdoors** with people from multiple households
- No mask required when **indoors** with a small group of fully vaccinated individuals
- Follow measures put in place by the owner or organizer of indoor gatherings of multiple households. Keep windows and doors open if possible and consider wearing a mask if you are part of the vulnerable population.
- It is **recommended** to wear a mask and follow all measures at indoor or outdoor gatherings where people may closely gather

When you are partially or not vaccinated (in a private setting or outdoor public setting):

- Depending on your accepted level of risk, no mask is required when outdoors with a small group if physical distancing of 2 meters can be maintained between households
- It is required to wear a mask if physical distancing cannot be maintained, whether indoors or outdoors
- Wear a mask, maintain social distancing whenever possible, follow all measures put in place by the owner or organizer of the indoor or outdoor gatherings where people are **closely** gathering

The Public Safety Commission and Public Health want to emphasize that although we are in a GREEN level alert, this does not mean the pandemic is over. We must remain vigilant and follow public health measures as a means to prevent any outbreaks and keep us on the right path forward.