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TO: All Service Providers

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SUBJECT: MASK COVERING UPDATE

EFFECTIVE DATE

This bulletin is effective as of December 22, 2022.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this bulletin is to share information directly affecting the Aging network.

ALERT NOTICE

The Los Angeles region is experiencing high rates of COVID-19, Influenza (flu), and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV). These three respiratory illnesses are highly contagious, can all cause severe illness to infected individuals, and disproportionately affects the constituency we serve. As of December 9, 2022, Los Angeles County Public Health updated the [Mask Wearing Rules and Recommendations](#), encouraging everyone ages two and older to wear a mask in indoor public spaces including, but not limited to, transit, retail event venues, schools, and worksites when around others.

It is the Department's priority to ensure the wellbeing of staff and the constituency we serve during this winter surge. To that end, LADOA strongly recommends masks to be worn by agency staff in all senior center facilities and older adults accessing services.

The mask should have a **good fit** (covers your mouth and nose and snugly fits against the sides of your face and nose) and **good filtration** (N95 and KN95).

When masks are required, you are allowed to remove your mask while you are:

- Actively eating or drinking
- Alone in a separate room or space
- Receiving medical, dental, cosmetic, personal hygiene or personal care services (like a facial or shave) that cannot be done without removing your mask

As a reminder, if staff and/or clients are experiencing symptoms of any illness or are ill from any ailment, either work from home (if able) or offer to provide teleservices, as an alternative to in-person services, to protect fellow colleagues and constituents.

The guidance provided herein is subject to change in part based on federal, state, and county requirements and LA County CDC COVID-19 community level and transmission rate. Updates will be provided when available.

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