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PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

EXECUTIVE ORDER

Suspension of Mask Mandate in Seneca Nation Buildings

WHEREAS, the Seneca Nation is responsible for the health, safety and well-being of our members, residents and employees and is taking precautions to reduce the impacts of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) on our community; and

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2020, former President Rickey L. Armstrong issued an Executive Order requiring the wearing of face masks; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2021, current President Matthew B. Pagels issued an Executive Order amending the requirement for fully vaccinated individuals; and

WHEREAS, the President has carefully considered the health, safety, and general welfare of the Seneca people, including through information received from the Nation's COVID-19 Task Force and local and state public health authorities,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

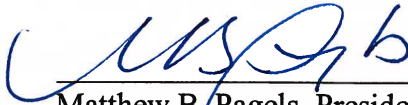
The Seneca Nation's COVID-19 mask and other protocols are now changed to the following:

1. Mask requirements are lifted for Seneca Nation buildings, subject to the exceptions listed below. Wearing of masks is still encouraged for individuals and we respect individual determinations based on, among other factors, personal vaccination status, personal health conditions, health conditions of household members, and attendance at large gatherings.
2. Mask requirements will remain in place for the Nation's health care facilities, elder's facilities, childcare facilities, and public transportation.

3. A reduced 5-day quarantine period followed by a 5-day mask mandate will be implemented for individuals with a positive COVID-19 result, or a close contact.
 - a. Individual positive for COVID-19:
 - i. Isolation ends after 5 full days if you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved (Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation).
 1. If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever has resolved for 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications.
 - ii. Regardless of vaccination status, all individuals positive for COVID-19 must wear a well-fitting mask around others through day 10.
 - b. Close contacts:
 - i. Close contacts must quarantine for 5 full days, with day 0 being the last day of exposure to the positive COVID-19 person, unless up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccinations. Quarantine ends after 5 full days if the person remained asymptomatic during the 5 days.
 1. Individuals up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccinations do NOT need to quarantine after contact with someone who had COVID-19 unless they have symptoms or are unable to wear a well-fitted mask.
 - ii. Regardless of vaccination status, all close contacts must wear a well-fitting mask around others through day 10.
 - iii. COVID-19 testing at day 5 is highly recommended, and required if symptoms develop at any point.
4. Temperature control screenings will continue at all entrances of Seneca Nation buildings.
5. Hand sanitizer stations will remain throughout Seneca Nation buildings, and all staff and visitors should continue hand hygiene.

Dated: March 10, 2022




Matthew B. Pagels, President
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