



To All Staff:

As you know, EMDC has taken every measure during the COVID-19 public health crisis to protect our employees and community colleagues.

Starting Monday, August 23, 2021, all staff will be required to wear face coverings/masks in common areas and during internal meetings. This indoor masking by all staff is due to the surge of the highly contagious Delta variant of Covid-19. This is a change from the current practice that verified, fully vaccinated staff and visitors were not required to wear face coverings/masks inside EMDC facilities. While the pandemic is changing rapidly, we will continue to follow all best practices including wearing masks during external public meetings and the immunization among all staff to prevent further spread of this public health crisis.

Most importantly, the key to stopping the Delta variant of COVID-19 is getting vaccinated. We have a responsibility as a community-based organization to protect ourselves, our families and the communities we serve. The only allowed exemption for EMDC employees not getting vaccinated will be a medical one from a physician.

And, remember, if you experience any symptoms of COVID-19 please contact your supervisor and work from home to protect your co-workers.

All the best, Lee