



OPTIONAL MASKING GUIDELINES

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified COVID-19 community transmission rates by county based on high, substantial, moderate, and low levels. These levels include associated masking recommendations for healthcare settings. On February 20, 2023, Western Reserve Care Solutions (Hospice of the Western Reserve and Stein Hospice) will utilize these levels to inform our masking practices.

Currently, masks are OPTIONAL for visitors and healthcare workers, except for the following scenarios:

VISITORS

Please wear a mask if, within the last 10 days, you have:

- Experienced COVID-19 symptoms or respiratory illness symptoms
- Had exposure to COVID-19, influenza, or RSV
- Consider masking in close contact with high-risk patients
- HWR supports visitors in their decision to continue masking regardless of the CDC's community transmission levels.

HEALTHCARE WORKERS

Please wear a mask if, within the last 10 days, you have:

- Experienced COVID-19 symptoms or respiratory illness symptoms
- Had exposure to COVID-19, influenza, or RSV
- N95 masks are required to be worn by Healthcare Workers when caring for patients in airborne or droplet precautions
- HWR supports staff in their decision to continue masking regardless of the CDC's community transmission levels

Note:

Masking guidelines are updated weekly resulting in changes to the COVID-19 PPE requirements.



MANDATORY MASKING GUIDELINES

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified COVID-19 community transmission rates by county based on high, substantial, moderate, and low levels. These levels include associated masking recommendations for healthcare settings. On February 20, 2023, Western Reserve Care Solutions (Hospice of the Western Reserve and Stein Hospice) will utilize these levels to inform our masking practices.

Currently, masks are MANDATORY for visitors and healthcare workers, except for the following scenarios:

VISITORS

- Please wear a mask in this facility until you arrive at your loved one's room.
- If your loved one has been diagnosed or is suspected of having COVID-19, we recommend that you mask when visiting.

HEALTHCARE WORKERS

- Procedural masks must be worn in all patient care areas.
- An N95 mask must be worn when caring for a patient who has tested positive or is suspected to have COVID-19.

Note:

Masking guidelines are updated weekly resulting in changes to the COVID-19 PPE requirements.