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Information about COVID-19, vaccine and accessing county services.

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Indoor masking requirements remain in place at county facilities

Revisions to the county's face coverings policy are now in effect, following discussion and a vote by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners on May 18. The board approved recommendations by county Public Health to continue most face covering and social distancing requirements within Ramsey County facilities, except outdoors:

- Face coverings will no longer be required of staff and visitors while outdoors at county facilities (unless otherwise signed).
- Face coverings and social distancing will continue to be required of all visitors while indoors at Ramsey County facilities and of staff while indoors in a shared space with others.

New federal and state guidance provides organizations, businesses and local governments with the authority and flexibility to maintain their own masking requirements. Based on the best public health guidance now available, the county has joined several other local governments to generally continue with masking and social distancing requirements at this time.

The county will continue close monitoring of vaccination and infection rates and other key public health measures week-to-week, and adjust its policies accordingly. Deputy County Manager of Health & Wellness and Public Health Director Kathy Hedin noted in her presentation to the board that overall vaccination rates across the county are good, but substantial discrepancies exist in different areas of the county that are well below target levels.

[Watch the video](#)

COVID-19 vaccines are free, safe, effective and now readily available at walk-in clinics operated by Public Health, pharmacies and health care providers. Visit [ramseycounty.us/CovidVaccine](https://www.ramseycounty.us/CovidVaccine) to schedule appointments and for the latest updates.

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