

MCC Updated Covid-19 Protocols for Participants and Staff (7/22/2021)

Based on the most recent guidance from the CDC, found [here](#), MCC is revising its protocols for fully vaccinated people.

- Fully vaccinated people are no longer required to wear a mask while traveling in an MCC vehicle.
- Fully vaccinated people are no longer required to wear a mask in MCC offices.
- Fully vaccinated people may continue masking if they choose to do so.

The CDC guidance for people that are not vaccinated can be found [here](#). Based on this guidance, MCC is strongly recommending that people without vaccinations adhere to the following:

- Non vaccinated people should continue to wear masks while traveling in an MCC vehicle, unless **ALL** other people in the vehicle are vaccinated. Masks can be cloth, surgical, or KN95.
- Non vaccinated people should continue to wear a mask inside MCC regional offices. Masks can be cloth, surgical, or KN95.

Regardless of vaccination status, all youth crews and leaders are required to wear masks while traveling in an MCC vehicle. Masks can be cloth, surgical, or KN95.

The completion of the participant health questionnaire is **NO LONGER** required before the start of each hitch. Crews should continue to monitor the health of their participants on a daily basis. People demonstrating COVID-19 symptoms should be tested immediately. **Crews are required to travel with masks at all times in the event they encounter projects, enter businesses, or engage in situations where masks are required.** Masks can be cloth, surgical, or KN95.

MCC will not ask members or staff to see proof of vaccinations. Based on our interpretation of the State of Montana's Executive Order 7-2021, found [here](#), an employer asking to see proof of vaccination may be in violation of EO-7-2021.

MCC feels that the risks of COVID-19 on fully vaccinated people, in accordance with the CDC's position, is extremely low. We are strongly encouraging non-vaccinated participants and staff to protect themselves by obtaining a vaccination and/or continuing to follow CDC guidelines to protect themselves from the risks associated with contracting COVID-19.

The above guidance may change if case counts per 100,000 begin to rise dramatically in the communities that our participants live and work in. COVID-19 data for Montana can be found [here](#). More detailed county specific information can be found by researching county health department websites:

- [Missoula County](#)
- [Flathead County](#)
- [Gallatin County](#)
- [Lewis and Clark County](#)