



## **LCS guidelines for mask wearing, vaccinations and testing – August 11, 2021**

Due to the recent increase of COVID transmission rates in our area and updated CDC guidance, we feel it is prudent to take additional precautions to keep everyone safe. The following guidance is effective immediately:

### **Masking for staff and volunteers:**

- Indoors - All volunteers and staff must wear a mask when working indoors in public areas (outside of own office).
- Outdoors – When outside, we recommend wearing a mask when serving clients or working in close contact with others.

### **Masking for clients:**

Clients must wear masks when receiving services from LCS. You may refuse service if they do not comply. We encourage you to post signs stating this and offer masks to anyone who needs one.

### **Testing**

Any staff or volunteer who are experiencing symptoms or who have been exposed to someone who has COVID will need to get tested and produce a negative test result before returning to work or their volunteer shift.

### **Vaccination**

We currently do not require vaccination of staff or volunteers. Anyone who is not vaccinated must be able to provide a negative test result within 72 hours of their scheduled shift. Vaccine requirements are subject to change based on conditions.

### **Volunteers**

We encourage any volunteers that feel at all uncomfortable about interacting regularly with the public to decide what is best for your particular situation. Please keep your Site Coordinator, and LCS as appropriate, apprised of any changes to your schedule so that we can plan accordingly. We will continue to monitor the situation and rely on the CDC and local health authorities for prudent next steps if conditions change.

Latest CDC guidance: (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-guidance.html>)

**Thank you for your patience, understanding and willingness to serve others!**