

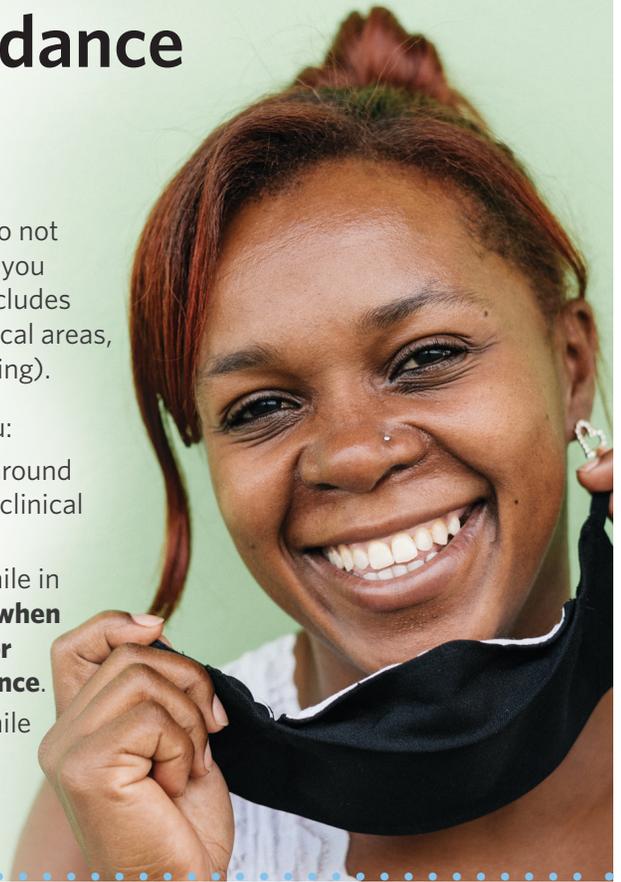
Masking and Workplace Guidance

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Wear a mask while in clinical areas.

- **Regardless of vaccination** status, you can:
 - remove your mask outdoors.
 - hold or attend meetings without restrictions on meeting size or social distancing (see details in next column).
- If you are unable to wear a mask due to medical necessity, medical condition, or disability, you should wear a face shield when required.
- When caring for a patient with a hearing impairment who relies on reading lips, a clear mask may be worn, unless caring for a known or suspected COVID-19 patient.

- If you are **vaccinated**, you do not have to wear a mask unless you are in a clinical area (this includes meetings/gatherings in clinical areas, except while eating or drinking).
- If you are **unvaccinated**, you:
 - must wear a mask when around other people, including in clinical and non-clinical areas.
 - can remove your mask while in a shared workspace **only when separated by partitions or you can keep 6 feet distance**.
 - can remove your mask while alone in a room or when eating or drinking.



When caring for a known or suspected COVID-19 patient:
wear an N95 (or PAPR), eye protection, gown and gloves.



Staff, visitors, and patients in any clinical area:
wear a surgical or procedural mask.

A clinical area is any space in a hospital or clinic where patients and visitors are present. This includes waiting rooms, hallways, and elevators. In a mixed-use building, such as Medical Center North, a clinical area is where patients and families may be present.

In non-clinical areas, fully vaccinated individuals:
a mask is not required.

A non-clinical area includes research labs, offices in 2525 West End, 2135 Blakemore, etc. It also includes some spaces in hospitals or clinics, such as break rooms, conference rooms, and separate offices, if they are well-defined and restricted from patient access.

Unvaccinated individuals, see above for mask requirements.



Masks must cover both the mouth and nose.