



## Episcopal House of Prayer Policy on COVID Precautions

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The Episcopal House of Prayer has updated its COVID policy to better align with policies in similar organizations. These changes reflect a loosening of preventive measures such as vaccination status and masking. However, we have defined specific criteria related to disease rates and hospitalizations in Minnesota that will trigger a return to a more stringent policy.

### *Policy on vaccination status*

- EHO P no longer requires proof of being fully vaccinated for overnight retreatants or guests renting the facility.
- However, full vaccination status, including any recommended booster doses, is highly encouraged for both the individual and collective good.

### *Policy on masking*

- Consistent with state and federal public health guidance, EHO P does not require masking for retreats or shorter events, indoors or outdoors.
  - This includes unvaccinated individuals attending either an overnight or non-overnight event.
- EHO P will be fully supportive of anyone who chooses to wear a face mask for personal reasons.
- EHO P will continue to stock and make readily available surgical, KN95 or N95 masks

### *Policy on testing*

- EHO P does not require testing before attending events, though it is highly recommended.
  - EHO P has rapid antigen tests available for those who wish to test while onsite.
- Anyone with symptoms of a possible COVID infection will be asked to refrain from attending an event.
  - A full refund of any paid registration fees will be made in such cases.

### *Policy on social/physical distancing*

- Maintaining physical distance is among the strategies that minimize risk for everyone. While not strictly enforced, EHO P will encourage guests and renters to remain mindful of how greater personal distances can reduce risk.