



# TOWN OF CHILMARK

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### **MASK ADVISORY**

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In accordance with the most recent CDC guidance and the fact that Dukes County is classified as high risk for COVID transmission, the Chilmark Board of Health strongly advises that individuals wear masks when indoors or in enclosed spaces serving the public or when unable to maintain social distance, regardless of vaccination status.

#### **What We Know**

There is evidence that the BA.2 variant is more transmissible, or contagious, than the original omicron variant.

Fully vaccinated individuals CAN be infected and NOT know it, thereby being a risk to others. They can also transmit the virus to both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.

Individuals who are vaccinated are at much lower risk of severe illness, hospitalization and death.

#### **What Should You Do?**

Please get vaccinated.

Give careful thought to entering crowded indoor space if an alternate time might be less crowded.

Enjoy as many of your activities as you can outdoors and ventilate indoor space shared with non-household members as much as possible.

Get tested if you believe you've been exposed and stay home if you are not feeling well.

Owners and managers of public-access establishments continue to be able to adopt their own mask requirements specific to their place of business.