

Metropolitan ENT & Facial Plastic Surgery

MASKING OPTIONAL *

Effective Immediately, we will be following Inova's 04/03/2023 universal mask policy:

Team member and patient safety has been and continues to be our top priority.

While this policy applies to team members, patients, and visitors there are exceptions.

- ***If a patient or visitor is exhibiting active, respiratory symptoms, they will be asked to wear a mask.**
- ***Patients or patient representatives may request that our staff members wear a mask while in a patient room or immediate patient care area.**

Our staff members may continue to mask if they prefer.

We are continuously evaluating the approach to COVID-19 prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.

Masking has been an important tool to stop the spread of COVID-19 since the beginning of the pandemic, but after thoughtful consideration of several factors, including high levels of immunity, CDC community levels and availability of effective treatments, we have determined that it is safe to discontinue our universal masking requirements.

We will re-evaluate our selection of high-risk clinical spaces as circumstances warrant.

Patients who are identified as high-risk or immunocompromised, or who request that masks be worn in their room or immediate care area, will have a "Mask Required" sign posted on the door to their room. Masks must be worn by all who enter these patient rooms, including staff team members and visitors.