



**GUIDANCE TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS REGARDING
COVID-19 VACCINATIONS AND TESTING
FEBRUARY 21, 2022 UPDATE**

I want to begin by congratulating you and your teams for your work navigating the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Around every blind curve, you have stayed true and stalwart in your resolve to provide a healthy work environment and innovate to provide essential services to the people of Colorado when they needed it most. Operationally, what we have accomplished as a state is unprecedented.

We are providing you with updated guidance as it relates to Boards and Commissions. In summary:

Colorado has made tremendous progress in terms of containing and treating COVID-19 infection and distributing the lifesaving COVID-19 vaccine. Over 85% of Colorado's eligible population has now received at least one dose of the vaccine, and we are beginning to see life return to a new normal.. Containing and ultimately ending the pandemic is possible if as many people as possible roll up their sleeves and get the vaccine.

Beginning February 22nd, 2022 Boards and Commission guidance for in-person meetings will be updated to reflect current COVID-19 conditions and updated policy.

The Governor's strong recommendation is that:

- 1) Boards and commissions may resume in-person meetings with the following recommendations:
- 2) A virtual participation option should be offered for board members and the public
- 3) Meetings should follow local restrictions, including mask mandates and room capacity limits.
- 4) We encourage all members attending the meeting in person to attest to their vaccination status to the board administrator, but it is not required.
- 5) Anyone feeling sick or exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms, even if mild, must not attend a meeting in person.
- 6) All members of boards and commissions attending meetings in person, as well as members of the public attending the meeting in person, may wear a mask if they choose and should always follow local guidance.

With these updates, it is important to note that we are developing a process for reinstatement of masking and the return to all virtual meetings based on the latest public health data and recommendations from CDPHE. If necessary, we maintain the option to make necessary changes to this guidance if warranted.

Again, thanks to you and your employees for your continued support and flexibility as we've navigated through the toughest times of this pandemic. Our intent has always been to protect



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the health of our workforce and the public we serve. We know you and your workforces are ready for a sense of normalcy and continuity, and this is one step in that direction.

For additional information, please see CDPHE Guidance

For indoor events: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/indoor-events>

For workplaces: <https://covid19.colorado.gov/office-based-businesses>