

I'm fully vaccinated!

Where do I need to wear a mask?

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A person is considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after they received their final dose.

Everyone needs to wear a mask in these settings:

- Pre-K to 12 grade schools
- Healthcare settings
- Nursing homes
- Correctional facilities
- Public transit
- Homeless shelters

These settings must follow the State's existing COVID-19 health guidelines until more New Yorkers are fully vaccinated.

Effective May 19, 2021

People who are fully vaccinated are not required by the State to wear a mask in other public settings. However, businesses are allowed to require masking for all. It is recommended that you have a mask with you in case you need it.

Businesses may also require proof of full vaccination status. Be prepared to show proof of your vaccination status: your COVID-19 vaccination card or the State's Excelsior Pass (paper or digital).

https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2021-05/NYS_CDCGuidance_Summary.pdf

Why the Change?

According to the CDC, the vaccines currently available in the United States are highly effective at protecting vaccinated people against symptomatic and severe COVID-19. Also, a growing body of evidence suggests that fully vaccinated people are less likely to have asymptomatic infection or spread COVID-19 to others.

