

# VALLEY NURSING AND REHAB CENTER

## SOURCE CONTROL-MASK POLICY

### REGARDLESS OF COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION LEVELS MASKS ARE REQUIRED:

- FACILITY IN OUTBREAK STATUS
- STAFF SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED RESPIRATORY ILLNESS
- STAFF EXPOSURE TO SOMEONE WITH COVID-19 (N-95 MASK FOR 10 DAYS AFTER DAY OF EXPOSURE. DAY OF EXPOSURE = DAY 0)
- STAFF POST COVID-19 INFECTION (N95 MASK FOR 10 DAYS POST POSITIVE TEST. DAY OF POSITIVE TEST = DAY 0)

### WHEN COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION LEVELS ARE HIGH:

- MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE IN AREAS WHERE THEY COULD ENCOUNTER RESIDENTS
- MASKS ARE OPTIONAL IN AREAS RESTRICTED FROM RESIDENT ACCESS (IF COMMUNITY LEVELS AREN'T ALSO HIGH AND DON'T OTHERWISE MEET CRITERIA TO WEAR MASKS)

### WHEN COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION LEVELS ARE NOT HIGH:

- MASKS ARE OPTIONAL IF THE COMMUNITY LEVEL IS ALSO NOT HIGH AND THE ABOVE CRITERIA IS NOT MET

### RESIDENT SUSPECTED/CONFIRMED COVID-19 INFECTION:

- RESIDENT IS ENCOURAGED TO WEAR MASK IF TOLERATED WHILE INTERACTING WITH STAFF

### MITIGATING STRATEGY FOR STAFF WITH VACCINE EXEMPTION:

- N-95 MASKS AS SOURCE CONTROL REQUIRED FOR ALL STAFF WITH VACCINE EXEMPTION

*Regardless of the community transmission level, residents, and their visitors when alone in the resident's room or in a designated visitation area may choose not to wear face coverings or mask and may choose to have close contact (including touch). If a roommate is present during the visit, the visitor is to wear a face covering or mask.*