



**STATE OF
OHIO**
BOARD OF PHARMACY

COVID-19 Response Efforts - May 21, 2021

Ohio Health Order Guidance for Board of Pharmacy Licensees

NOTE: This applies to all Board of Pharmacy licensed locations, including medical marijuana dispensaries and home medical equipment service providers.

On May 17, 2021, the Ohio Department of Health amended its remaining health order to conform to the new Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance, which allows those who have been vaccinated to stop wearing masks. Under the CDC's new guidance, those who have not been vaccinated should still wear a mask and socially distance.

The CDC recommendations make clear that businesses will be able to choose for themselves whether they continue to require masks in their premises. If a business chooses to require masking for employees and customers, that is permitted under the CDC guidance and Ohio's order. If a business chooses not to require masks and leave that choice to customers and employees, that is also permitted in the CDC guidance and Ohio's order.

As advised by the CDC, Ohio's order also continues to require masking in congregate settings, such as nursing homes and assisted living facilities, and in settings with large numbers of unvaccinated individuals, such as schools and daycare centers. For more information on Ohio's amended health order, visit: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/publicorders/rev-2nd-final-amended-do-soc-dist-remove-face-cover-21.pdf>

This guidance can be found [here](#).
