



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 77

August 25, 2021

**SAFETY PRACTICES OF PUBLIC-FACING CONTRACTED PERSONNEL
DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS**

WHEREAS, the City's efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 are critical to the health and well-being of City workers and residents and other persons with whom they interact in the provision of services; and

WHEREAS, wearing a face covering that covers the person's mouth and nose is a highly effective measure for reducing the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control ("CDC") reports that new variants of COVID-19, identified as "variants of concern," have emerged in the United States, and some of these new variants, which currently account for the majority of COVID-19 cases sequenced in New York City, are more transmissible than earlier variants; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has stated that vaccination is an effective tool to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and benefits both vaccine recipients and those they come into contact with, including persons who for reasons of age, health, or other conditions cannot themselves be vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, the recent appearance in the City of the highly transmissible Delta variant of COVID-19 has substantially increased the risk of infection for the City's workforce; and

WHEREAS, many employees of City contractors hold positions in which they come into contact with other people in the course of their work for the City, and are thus in a position to transmit or contract COVID-19 while they are at work; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that the City promote the best health and safety practices recognized in light of current scientific understanding of the conditions under which COVID-19 can spread;

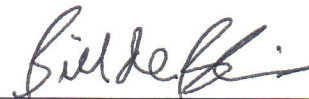
NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 74, dated July 31, 2021, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. Requirement. Effective August 2, 2021, all City agencies must take all necessary actions to ensure that their contractors:

- i. Require all covered employees, including those who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, to wear a face covering when interacting with members of the public or present in a pre-kindergarten to twelfth grade school, public transit facility, homeless shelter, correctional facility, nursing home, or health care setting.
- ii. Authorize covered employees to remove their face covering in the workplace (indoors or outdoors) or when interacting with City employees only when:
 - a. They are not required by subdivision (i) of this section to wear the face covering; and
 - b. They have provided documentation of their full vaccination status.

§ 2. This Order takes effect immediately and is retroactive to and deemed to have been in effect as of July 31, 2021.



Bill de Blasio,
MAYOR