

❖ **We will continue to update this policy based on AVMA, CDC, and Illinois guidance/metrics.**

- **Updated:** 4/2020, 11/2020, 5/2021, 12/2021, 3/2022, 10/2022, 6/2023, 9/2023, 4/2024
- **CDC:** <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home>
- **Illinois:** https://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/respiratory-disease/surveillance/respiratory-disease-report.html?gad_source=1&gclid=CjwKCAjwnv-vBhBdEiwABCYQAzgwrIEjLfjwluQywPTKzErlhwyLhoGrrAXK0RcJoZSLI_LC-Kau1hoCOSEQAvD_BwE

• **Failure to comply with any part of this policy may result in immediate termination of services.**

❖ **PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) DURING APPOINTMENTS:**

1. Humans in attendance are no longer required to wear a mask (aka face covering) during appointments.
 - If you would prefer to continue wearing a mask, you are welcome to do so.
 - We can provide disposable surgical masks if needed (1\$ each) or N95 Masks (5\$ each)
2. Dr. Cook and staff will discontinue wearing masks during all appointments unless:
 - Any member of the household is currently ill or has been exposed to someone who is ill.
 - Dr. Cook and staff assess that it is important to wear masks for another reason.
 - You would prefer for Dr. Cook and staff to continue wearing masks.
 - For additional PPE (goggles/gown/gloves/shoe coverings), the COVID-19 PPE & Biohazard Fee is 64.95.

❖ **WHAT ARE WE DOING TO PROTECT YOU AND OUR STAFF?**

1. **Vaccination:** All CVG staff are vaccinated for COVID-19 and up to date on boosters.
2. **Testing:** CVG staff are provided COVID-19 rapid tests and are tested if experiencing any symptoms.
3. **Sanitation & Hygiene:** Frequent hand washing/hand sanitization and disinfection of all materials/supply bags.

❖ **PRECAUTIONS BEFORE EVERY APPOINTMENT:**

1. We will send a confirmation email ~2 days prior to each appointment (unless scheduled < 2 days beforehand).
2. You will be required to confirm your appointment and to notify us immediately if you or anyone in the household has tested positive for and/or is experiencing any symptoms of any infectious respiratory illness (such as Cold, Flu, RSV & COVID-19).
3. We will also notify you immediately if Dr. Cook or CVG staff are experiencing any symptoms or illness.

Thank you for helping us continue to provide in-home care by keeping everyone safe.