

## ❖ COVID-19 (SARS-COV-2) Policy & Information (Updated 3/1/2022)

- Our goal is to continue to provide the most compassionate and gentle in-home care during this pandemic.
- We have updated our policy based on AVMA & CDC guidance in 4/2020, 11/2020, 5/2021, 12/2021, and 3/2022.
- **Failure to comply with any part of this COVID-19 Policy may result in immediate termination of services.**

## ❖ COVID-19 MASKS & PPE DURING APPOINTMENTS:

1. All humans in attendance are required to wear a mask (aka face covering) **at all times** during appointments.
  - We can provide disposable surgical masks if needed (1.00 each).
  - You may not lower your mask, even for a moment, while with CVG staff.
2. Dr. Cook and staff will continue wearing N95 masks **at all times** during appointments.
  - If you would like Dr. Cook and staff to wear additional PPE (e.g., goggles, gowns, gloves, and shoe coverings), there will be a COVID-19 PPE & Biohazard Fee of 24.95 until further notice.

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

1. Vaccination: Dr. Cook received Pfizer COVID-19 vaccinations on 3/26/21, 4/16/21, and on 9/3/21 (and Flu Vaccine on 9/3/21). All CVG staff who attend appointments are also vaccinated with a booster shot.
2. Monitoring: Dr. Cook and CVG staff keep a daily body temperature and symptom log.
3. Testing: Dr. Cook and CVG staff are tested for COVID-19 at least once weekly and more often if indicated.
4. PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) & Hygiene:
  - Ongoing frequent hand washing/hand sanitization and disinfection of all materials/supply bags between appointments.
  - Dr. Cook and CVG staff will wear an N95 mask at each appointment (and additional PPE if indicated).
5. Social Distancing: While difficult for in-home appointments, we can consider outdoor or Zoom when appropriate.

## ❖ PRECAUTIONARY QUESTIONS BEFORE EVERY APPOINTMENT:

1. **Has everyone in the household...** been vaccinated for COVID-19—including a booster shot if indicated?
  2. **Has anyone in the household...** tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days?
  3. **Has anyone in the household...** been experiencing any illness or COVID-19 symptoms including but not limited to fever, body aches, cough, fatigue, chills, headache, sore throat, loss of appetite/digestive issues, and/or loss of sense of smell/taste?
  4. **Has anyone in the household...** had any contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19 (or who is experiencing COVID-like symptoms) within the last 14 days?
- **If anyone in your household answers “YES” to any of these questions, please notify us immediately.**
  - We will notify you immediately if Dr. Cook or CVG staff would answer yes to these questions.
  - **You will be required to confirm your answers to these questions over email before each appointment.**

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