

## Town of Gill

## **COVID-19 Public Health Mandate of the Gill Board of Health**

Whereas the Gill Board of Health recognizes the following facts:

- The new Delta variant of Covid-19 is very transmissible and on the rise,
- The new Delta variant of Covid-19 can readily infect both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals,
- All who are infected can pass the disease on to others, weather they have symptoms or not, and
- Children are at particular risk for this Delta variant and are getting sick in increasing numbers.

Therefore it seems prudent to take serious steps to minimize transmission of the virus. The best way to protect our children is to keep the adults disease-free, and the best way to do that is to require masks and social distancing indoors and in groups.

Notice is hereby given that on August 10, 2021 the Gill Board of Health adopted the following emergency regulation under the provisions of MGL Chapter 111, § 31

Based upon review of current risk of transmission of COVID-19 in Franklin County the Board of Health at its meeting on August 10, 2021 and pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 111 sections 31 and 104 to adopt a **public health mandate**, adopting an indoor mask mandate in the Town of Gill.

Effective on 12:01am August 19, 2021 face coverings are required for all individuals aged two years and above in all indoor public spaces, or private spaces open to the public except where an individual is unable to wear a face covering due to a medical condition or disability

- Food service establishment customers may only remove face coverings when seated when indoors.
- Indoor bar venue customers may only remove face coverings when seated.
- Houses of worship are covered by this order.
- Masks remain mandatory for all individuals on public and private transportation systems (including rideshares, livery, taxi, and FRTA).
- All entry doors of businesses open to the public must be posted advising customers that facemasks must be maintained inside the establishment. Establishment staff must supervise and enforce this requirement.

This mandate will be in effect until revoked by the Gill Board of Health

Randy Crochier Sr., CPHS Program Manager/Regional Health Agent As Agent to the Gill Board of Health

For any questions on this decision, feel free to contact Randy Crochier at his office number 413-774-3167 ext. 106. Thank you for your continued support in protecting our community.