To align with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the new Marshfield Clinic Health System (MCHS) employee process:

**Masking:** In general, masking will now be optional for patients, staff, students and visitors, including in patient care areas. There are certain situations however where we ask that employees wear a mask:

- If the patient or patient support person asks you to mask. If the patient you encounter is masking, ask to determine their preference.
- As part of normal practice (for example, Surgery, Nursing homes, Transmission Based Precautions (Droplet Precautions for Influenza, etc.))
- Units that serve immunocompromised or specialty patients will return to prior policy and procedure.

**Eye Protection:** In addition to masking, eye protection is also optional.

**Meetings:** All restrictions for on-campus indoor and outdoor meetings and gatherings will end.

Students requesting a COVID exemption are to contact their Student Programs – Education Programs Coordinator for additional information. Contact them at studentprograms@marshfieldclinic.org.