



## **Cornwall Manor COVID Update for Campus Residents – August 5, 2021**

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has changed the COVID status of Lebanon County’s community transmission from “moderate” to “substantial” which means a heightened risk for the virus to spread. While positive cases in the county are nowhere near peak levels seen in January 2021, they have still risen significantly in the last few weeks.

In central Pennsylvania, the CDC has assigned Adams, Dauphin, Lancaster and Lebanon counties to this higher risk category. As a result, they recommend wearing masks at indoor public gatherings regardless of vaccination status until the risk declines. This is currently a recommendation, not a requirement. However, if you would feel more protected by wearing a mask anywhere on Cornwall Manor property, you are welcome and encouraged to do so.

Since more than 90% of campus residents are fully vaccinated, Cornwall Manor is not mandating masks at indoor gatherings that are attended mainly by residents such as activities, dining or meetings. However, if you go off campus to public indoor gatherings, the CDC advice is to wear a mask. Also, some businesses in the four counties listed above plan to require masks until the risk declines so always carry one with you.

You can help by ensuring that your visitors are fully vaccinated or wearing a mask while at Cornwall Manor. In addition, Cornwall Manor will continue to require staff who enter your living unit or who serve you directly to wear a mask.