

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, SITTING JOINTLY AS BOARD OF
HEALTH OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO: 22-03-15-05

IN THE MATTER OF A PUBLIC HEALTH
ADVISORY RELATED TO PERSONAL
PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST COVID-19
FOLLOWING THE DELTA AND OMICRON
VARIANT WAVES OF SARS-CoV-2

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of Lane County enacted Order Number 21-08-10-06 on August 10th, 2021 calling on individuals, businesses, and employers to immediately resume masking and distancing when in shared indoor spaces; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of Lane County enacted Order Number 21-08-24-08 on August 24th, 2021 calling on individuals, businesses, and employers to adopt additional public health measures in light of rapidly growing case reports; and

WHEREAS, Lane County has subsequently reported over 41,500 laboratory-confirmed cases and 307 deaths during period of August 1, 2021 through present in which the B.1.617.2 (Delta) variant and the B.1.1.529 (Omicron) variant of SARS-CoV-2 have been prevalent; and

WHEREAS, daily reported cases, case rates per 100,000 of population, and hospitalizations have now declined from their most recent peak values statewide and in Lane County; and

WHEREAS, Lane County achieved “low” status on the March 10, 2022 edition of U.S. COVID-19 Community Levels and Indicators website; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Department of Education have respectively lifted OAR 333-019-1025 (statewide indoor masking) and OAR 333-019-1015 (K-12 masking); and

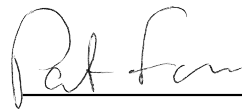
WHEREAS, the removal of public health measures enforced by state government necessitates additional public education in support of individual decision-making; and

WHEREAS, the people of Lane County have demonstrated their ability to follow public health measures with sufficient rigor throughout the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in lower case rates, hospitalizations, and deaths when compared to jurisdictions of similar size and demographics in Oregon and around the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board or Commissioners, sitting jointly as the Board of Health of Lane County ORDERS as follows:

1. The issuance of a Public Health Advisory superseding previous advisories as directed under Order Number 21-08-10-06 and Order Number 21-08-24-08 in Lane County.
2. The Public Health Advisory provide recommendations to residents on measures to protect themselves, their families, friends, and our community at large from COVID-19.
3. That Lane County Public Health continue to provide ongoing information, education, and advice to the public based on changing federal and state guidelines, changes in COVID-19 disease prevalence in Lane County, and insights provided by ongoing clinical research and global monitoring of SARS-CoV-2 evolution.

ADOPTED this 15th day of March, 2022.



Pat Farr, Chair

Lane County Board of Commissioners sitting
jointly as the Lane County Boards of Health