**TRANSIT MASK MANDATE**

*Effective February 1, 2021*

The CDC issued an order on 1/29/21 requiring the public to wear face masks while on conveyances and in transportation hubs. Further, the TSA issued a Security Directive 1/31/21, effective February 1, 2021 enforcing the requirements of the CDC order as well as implement the Executive Order issued on January 21, 2021.

The transit system must require all persons on board the vehicle to wear a mask for the duration of their travel. Transit facilities must use best efforts to ensure that any person entering or on the premises wears a mask. Best efforts include:

1. Allowing entry only to those persons who wear masks
2. Instructing person that Federal law requires wearing a mask in the vehicle and facility. Failure to comply constitutes a violation of Federal law.
3. Removing any person who refuses to comply.

This mandate applies to all APTA Drivers, consumers of our service, and visitors to our facility.

*A printed, in its entirety, directive of Transit Mask Mandate Summary is available from Operations Manager or Director.*

\*\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*\*

The Transportation Security Administration will extend its mask mandate for airplanes and other public transportation through mid-April, as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention works with federal agencies to revise mask policies, the two agencies announced Thursday (3/17/22).