

To Bridger Orthopedic Patients:

**Please Note: Our Mask Policy Has Changed.**

Given the recent decrease in new COVID-19 cases; along with the increasing number of vaccinated individuals in Gallatin County, we have decided to adjust our mask policy. In accordance with State and Federal recommendations, patients and staff who are FULLY VACCINATED from COVID-19 are no longer required to wear a face mask or covering while in our offices.

As a patient, if you will feel more comfortable if our provider wears a mask, please ask them to do so. They would be happy to wear a mask during your examination.

**The following COVID-19 Protective Measures are still in place:**

- 1) Any staff that can work from home will continue doing so to reduce the number of people in our offices;
- 2) All patients, visitors, and staff are required to wear masks at all times while inside our facilities IF they have not been FULLY VACCINATED; Our facility will provide a mask if one is needed;
- 3) Digital check-in screens have been temporarily eliminated;
- 4) Cleaning our common areas with surgical grade sanitizer occurs multiple times daily;
- 5) Cleaning our clinical spaces with surgical grade sanitizer occurs after every patient turnover;
- 6) Furniture in our waiting rooms has been reduced and distanced to better accommodate social distancing;
- 7) Contents from our waiting rooms like magazines and coffee machines have been temporarily eliminated;
- 8) A telemedicine option has been implemented for appointment types that qualify; and
- 9) Our Urgent Care facility is focused on injury care only, not illnesses.

*Thank you all for your continued assistance and understanding as we navigate our way through these unprecedented times. On behalf of every member of the Bridger Orthopedic team, please be assured we are focused on your health and well-being every day. Together, we will get through these challenging times.*