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MEMORANDUM SUMMARY

Effective May 8, 2021, the Universal Best Practices replaces all existing "Safer at Home 2.0" business operations guidance in place since March 2020. These Universal Best Practices are for all individuals, businesses, and organizations to consider. This includes the Safer at Home Guidance for Adult Day Service.

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide Adult Medical Day Services with guidance and resources to assist in their decision for safe reopening and closing of Adult Medical Day during COVID-19 emergency. All BEAS guidance regarding the COVID-19 Emergency is available at https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/debcs/covid-guidance.htm.

General Guidance to Protect Employees and Clients

- Follow the NH <u>Universal Best Practices</u> for All New Hampshire Employers and Employees. Full document may be accessed using the following link:
 https://www.covidguidance.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt381/files/inline-documents/sonh/universal-best-practices.pdf
- 2. NH Public Health Recommendations for People Who Are Fully Vaccinated When Around Others From Outside the Household released May 17, 2021 https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/fully-vaccinated-guidance.pdf
- 3. Review and follow CDC guidance for businesses and employers.

- 4. Review and follow CDC guidance for cleaning and disinfection.
- 5. Agencies are responsible for monitoring for changes and updates in guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and local town and city public health agencies in their service area to ensure adherence to the most current safety practices.
- 6. As of April 17, 2021, there is no longer a mask mandate in the State of NH, however, private businesses, towns, cities and organizations may still require that masks be worn. Agencies are responsible for monitoring for mask mandates in the towns and cities within their service area.

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