

FEBRUARY 1, 2021 DR JOE ANZALDUA COVID-19 UPDATE INFORMATION

The following was sent to me by a well-respected colleague (Infectious Disease), Dr. Ed Septimus:

CDC/DHS Requirement for Persons to Wear Masks While on Conveyances and at Transportation Hubs January 29, 2021

1. *Persons must wear masks(a material covering the nose and mouth of the wearer- masks do not include face shields) over the mouth and nose when traveling on conveyances(aircraft, train, road vessel) into and within the US*
2. *A conveyance operator transporting persons into and within the US must require all persons onboard to wear masks for the duration of travel*
 - a. *Boarding only those persons who wear a mask*
 - b. *Instructing persons that Federal law requires wearing a mask on the conveyance and failure to comply constitutes a violation of Federal law*
 - c. *Monitoring persons onboard the conveyance for anyone who is not wearing a mask and seeking compliance for such persons*
 - d. *At the earliest opportunity, disembarking any person who refuses to comply*
3. *Operators of transportation hubs (airport, marina, seaport, subway station, terminal, train station) must use best efforts to ensure that any person entering or on the premises of the transportation hub wears a mask*

Comment: *Most of this is already in place in many areas, but now it is covered under section 361 of the Public Health Service Act and code of Federal Regulations. This order starts February 2, 2021*

Thanks,
Joe A.