

Manchester Choral Society COVID-19 Policy Effective August 11, 2022

The Manchester Choral Society Board of Directors has developed the following policies related to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Board will ensure that this policy remains actively aligned with the State of New Hampshire's Health guidelines on COVID-19 in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to create the safest possible environment for all. We want you to feel safe and secure so that you can sing with us! This policy will be updated to align with any State guidelines should they change.

Given the current endemic state of Covid-19, **Manchester Choral Society will no longer require vaccinations as a requirement for singers, however, it is strongly recommended. Mask wearing is optional.** The board reserves the right to ask singers to wear masks for rehearsals and/or concerts based on any rise in community spread.

STAY HOME IF YOU ARE ILL

If you are sick or have Covid-19 symptoms, have been in contact with someone known to be or suspected to have been infected with Covid-19 within the last 14 days, or if you are subject to quarantine or under isolation order, please stay home. Per the CDC guidelines, those with confirmed cases of Covid-19 should self-isolate at home until at least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared, (at least 24 hours have passed since last fever without use of fever-reducing medications, and symptoms have improved). Once you have completed your 5 day self-isolation, you may return to MCS rehearsals. When in doubt, the CDC has a handy quarantine calculator to help you determine how long you should isolate, quarantine or when to take other steps to prevent the spread of Covid:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>

HOW TO REPORT IF YOU ARE ILL OR BECOME ILL DURING THE SEASON

If you become ill within 5 days of a rehearsal, sectional or concert, you should notify the Board President via text, call, or email. It is important that you let us know as soon as you have tested positive. In an effort to protect your privacy, the President will then anonymously inform those who may have been in close contact within 24 hours of your disclosure.

MCS will continue to encourage safe spacing distances at rehearsal and venues to the best of its abilities. Our rehearsal and concert venues allow for plenty of room to spread out!

We appreciate everyone's flexibility and willingness to make adjustments for the safety of everyone.