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Update to masking policy

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As we continue to assess of the burden of influenza-like illness, including Covid, in our community and here at Upstate, the decision has been made to de-escalate the masking policy effective today, March 1.

Masking in clinical areas and during patient encounters in all Upstate buildings is now optional. Use clinical judgement in high-risk scenarios.

Masks are still required for those who have not been vaccinated against influenza, per New York state, until the state declares an end to flu season.

We will continue to monitor the situation and revise our policy to balance the safety and experience of our patients, staff, and community.

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