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## Omicron Variant Update

As of yesterday, there were two (2) documented cases of the Omicron variant in the United States. While health officials still do not know a lot about the variant, DC Health continues to work with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other federal partners to learn more. They continue to advise that using layered mitigation strategies can help to protect the spread of the virus.

Currently, masks are still optional for vaccinated individuals. The current DC Health **mask advisory** is that all people, regardless of vaccination status, **should** wear a mask indoors in public settings. HAWDC will continue to monitor any new guidance closely and update members accordingly.

Regards,  
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