The Kroger Family of Companies

## **Update to Store Mask Policy**



Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, The Kroger Family of Companies' most urgent priority has been the safety of our associates and customers. We have adhered to guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and our Chief Medical Officer Dr. Marc Watkins and listened to our associates and customers to guide our policies.

Based on the CDC's science-based guidance, we are updating our mask policy in a way that balances our values of safety and respect. We are now requiring all associates and contractors to wear a mask when in our stores, offices, and other facilities regardless of vaccination status. Customers continue being strongly encouraged to wear masks to protect themselves and others, and to curb the spread of COVID-19.

We will continue to implement enhanced cleaning and physical distancing across all facilities as well as offer associates a <u>\$100 one-time payment</u> for receiving the recommended doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. We also encourage customers to visit <u>www.kroger.com/covidvaccine</u> to make an appointment. Many pharmacies are also accepting walk-in appointments for added convenience.