



Following are notes from the 21MAY2021 VEOC teleconference. These notes are not all encompassing but will provide basic insight to the discussions.

- Vaccine 52.4 % received 1 dose
  - 65% of the adult population
  - Goal is 75% by July
- Rate of vaccines have slowed dramatically
  - Did see an uptick on Tue/Wed/Thur 90 and 80 plus thousand vaccines
  - The large vaccine centers have probably passed
    - Mobile and remote areas
  - 12-15 year old have been cleared to take the Pfizer vaccine
    - Some school divisions are looking at in school vaccinations
      - Will continue during summer school and fall
  - Second doses
    - Now opening second doses wherever they can get it vice where they received the first dose.
- New Mask Guidelines
  - CDC made changes for those who are vaccinated without distancing
    - Less likely to spread the virus
    - May 15-Exec order 72 to align with CDC guidelines for who are fully vaccinated.
      - There are exceptions: Public schools, public transportation, homeless shelters.
- People are losing their vaccine identification cards. VA is setting up a website to allow people to print a new one off.
- Questions:
  - I understand that VA is working on standards for mask guidelines. Until then do we need to continue with masks in office situations?
    - Employers should follow CDC guidance; we are required to look at the new standards with VA Dept of Health. You can see it on our website on frequently asked questions for mask guidance.
  - I don't recall anything about transmission by touch? Do we still need to sanitize surfaces?
    - Follow Exec order that remain in place. The EO still hasn't reflected CDC's new guidance to clean just once per day.
    - Strongly encourage CDC guidance once the EO mandate has been lifted.