

## FTA Stakeholder Call # 3 on the Federal Mask Requirement for Public Transportation

February 23, 2021 3:00 PM – 3:30 PM ET



#### Welcome



#### Matt Welbes FTA Executive Director



#### **Available Resources**

- Recordings of previous Stakeholder Events on the Federal Mask Requirement for Public Transportation:
  - February 2: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W-b3nI-ahll&t=7s</u>
  - February 9: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aYUmxOl0Jg8&feature=youtu.be</u>
  - February 16 (Roundtable): <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9XnaSQ4D2gl&feature=youtu.be</u>
- FAQs on FTA's website:
  - <u>https://www.transportation.gov/safety/mask-travel-guidance</u>



### Have a Question?

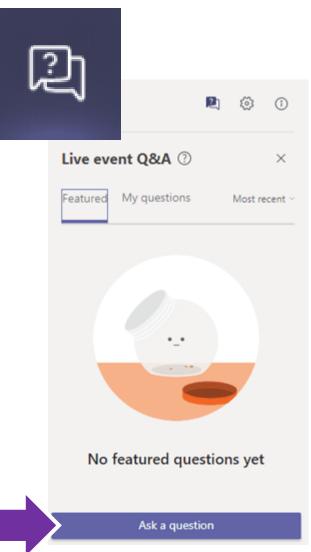
We are collecting questions to answer on our website and future stakeholder calls.

To submit a question:

Select the Show Q&A button and click
 Ask a Question on the right side of the screen.

**Type your question** in the compose box, and then click **Send.** 

- Want to ask your question anonymously?
   Select Ask Anonymously.
- You can also email us at <u>TransitMaskUp@dot.gov</u>.



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#### **Nuria Fernandez** FTA Acting Administrator



## Virtual Operator Assault Awareness Course Offering

The National Transit Institute (NTI) has opened <u>registration</u> for additional virtual offerings of the Assault Awareness and Prevention for Transit Operators course.

• The course includes updated learning activities and scenarios focused on passenger mask-wearing.

#### **Course and Registration Links:**

- Assault Awareness and Prevention for Transit Operators course information
- NTI Registration Page

For questions about course registration, contact NTI via telephone at 848-932-1700 or email at <u>nti\_info@nti.rutgers.edu</u>.

## Virtual Operator Assault Awareness Course Offering

Registration opened today for the following course dates:

Course Date*	Time
Sunday, March 7, 2021	2:00 PM - 5:30 PM ET
Sunday, March 14, 2021	2:00 PM - 5:30 PM ET
Sunday, March 21, 2021	2:00 PM - 5:30 PM ET

\*Additional courses will be offered based on demand

#### A video recording of the course will be available by Friday, February 26.





#### Henrika Buchanan

FTA Associate Administrator for Transit Safety and Oversight & Chief Safety Officer

# QI: Are riders with disabilities exempt from mask requirements?



Q2: May a transit agency require requests for exemptions from mask requirements to be made in advance of travel?



Q3: Is a transit agency required to adopt a specific process for handling exemption requests, such as through its already required Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) reasonable modification of policy procedures?

Q4: Does a transit agency need to ensure frontline workers and other personnel understand the exemption process for people with disabilities?



# Q5: Does the mask requirement apply to Section 5310 operators?



## **Q6:** Does the mask requirement apply in administrative facilities?





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## **Thank You!**

This session has been recorded.

The presentation, recording, and transcript will be posted on FTA's website.

For FAQs, please visit <u>https://www.transportation.gov/safety/mask-travel-</u><u>guidance</u>.

Send questions about the mask requirement to: <u>TransitMaskUp@dot.gov</u>

