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Newcombe Singers proposed precautions for the 2026-27 Respiratory Infection Season will be a measured response to the exposure to viruses that will be circulating in the community. The plan will take into account that some of the members are either immunologically compromised or are the caregiver of a family member that is compromised:

All members that plan to participate in rehearsals or performances should follow the recommendations of the BCCDC with their immunizations against COVID-19 for their own and fellow choir members' health benefit.

Members that are experiencing respiratory or gastrointestinal symptoms, or who are feeling unusually tired, will not attend live rehearsals or performances.

Masks will be optional at indoor rehearsals whether singing or not.

Attempts will be made to distance singers from each other. Choir members should feel comfortable as to the distance from an adjacent singer and may elect to sing from the pews. Ventilation will be maximized by opening the windows. Hepafilters may also be used to improve the air quality.

These precautions are changeable and are written in response to the current incidence of illness in our community. If the incidence of illness rises, a mask mandate may be implemented if the Newcombe Board, in consultation with the Music Director, decides that it is warranted.

Rehearsals will continue to be live streamed.