

## PHYSICIAN TO THE PRESIDENT THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

President Biden SARS-CoV-2 Update

President Biden completed his five-day course of PAXLOVID 36 hours ago. As of this morning, he has completed five full days of isolation. He remains fever-free and he discontinued use of any acetaminophen (TYLENOL) for the past 36 hours. His symptoms have been steadily improving, and are almost completely resolved.

Yesterday evening, and then again, this morning, he tested NEGATIVE for the SARS-CoV-2 virus by antigen testing.

Given these reassuring factors, the President will discontinue his strict isolation measures.

As I've stated previously, the President continues to be very specifically conscientious to protect any of the Executive Residence, White House, Secret Service and other staff whose duties require any (albeit socially distanced) proximity to him. For this reason, he will wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days any time he is around others.

Acknowledging the potential for so-called "rebound" COVID positivity observed in a small percentage of patients treated with PAXLOVID, the President will increase his testing cadence, both to protect people around him and to assure early detection of any return of viral replication.

As promised, I will keep your office updated with any changes in his condition or treatment plan.

Respectfully submitted,

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