VINALHAVEN PUBLIC HEALTH TEAM



Traditional Thanksgiving gatherings with family and friends are fun but can increase the chances of getting or spreading COVID-19. The safest way to celebrate Thanksgiving this year is to keep your gathering limited to just your household or pod*.

Lower Risk

- **Staying home;** traveling only for essential purposes
- Restricting close contact (15+ minutes) to only those from your household or pod*
- Wearing a mask in public
- Washing your hands often
- Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces
- Celebrating outside or inside with plenty of ventilation

Higher Risk

- Traveling off and to the island (Note: testing and quarantine are required when traveling to and from any state other than NH or VT)
- Being in close contact with those not in your household or pod
- Not following CDC Guidelines
- Celebrating indoors with limited ventilation

*A pod is a small group of a few people, committed to abiding by Maine and CDC COVID-19 safety guidelines and who limit their close contacts to only each other in order to mutually protect their health.

FMI Contact Vinalhaven Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
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Check out the CDC Thanksgiving Guidelines
www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays/thanksgiving.html

