Cloth Masks and Face Coverings in the Retail Setting

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On May 6, the Province of Ontario announced that a number of retail locations can open to the public. As restrictions within the retail setting begins to ease and physical distancing becomes more of a challenge, the Medical Officer of Health for Grey Bruce is recommending:

- Retail employees wear cloth masks or other non-medical face coverings
- Patrons at retail settings wear cloth masks or other non-medical face coverings

When worn properly, masks or face coverings can reduce the spread of infectious respiratory droplets. This measure can be useful for short periods of time, when physical distancing is not possible in public settings, such as when grocery shopping. Wearing a cloth mask or other non-medical face covering is an additional measure and not a substitute for physical distancing and hand washing.

Non-medical face masks or face coverings should:

- allow for easy breathing
- fit securely to the head with ties or ear loops
- maintain their shape after washing and drying
- be changed as soon as possible if damp or dirty
- be comfortable and not require frequent adjustment
- be made of at least 2 layers of tightly woven material fabric
- be large enough to completely and comfortably cover the nose and mouth
- Disposable masks must be disposed of in a lined waste receptacle – DO NOT LITTER

Attachment: Considerations for the public on wearing cloth masks and other non-medical face coverings
Cloth Masks and other Non-Medical Face Coverings in Retail Locations

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