

Wednesday, 22 July 2020

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Dear Client/family/next of kin

# Re: COVID-19 Update – Mask wearing <u>compulsory</u> for Melbourne and Mitchell Shire

I hope this letter finds you well in these challenging times. I'd like to reassure you that we remain focussed on continuing to provide you with the support you need to get through this COVID-19 pandemic.

As you may have heard last weekend, the Victorian Chief Health Officer (CHO) announced that from 11.59pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, all people living in Melbourne and Mitchell Shire are <u>required to wear a mask</u> when leaving home for one of the four permitted reasons. Those four reasons are; shopping for food supplies, work and study, exercise and outdoor recreation, care and caregiving.

People who have relevant medical conditions i.e. respiratory difficulties, mental health, or are aged under 12 years, are exempt from wearing masks.

For areas outside of Melbourne and Mitchell Shire, people are recommended to wear a face mask when outside their home if it is difficult to keep 1.5 metres apart from other people.

"The main value of wearing masks is to protect other people, if the person wearing the mask is unknowingly infected, wearing the mask will reduce the chance of them passing the virus onto others," Australian Government.

Please contact your case manager or support worker if you have any questions, need help purchasing a mask or getting food, medication and essential supplies.





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Thank you for you co-operation and continued support.

Yours sincerely

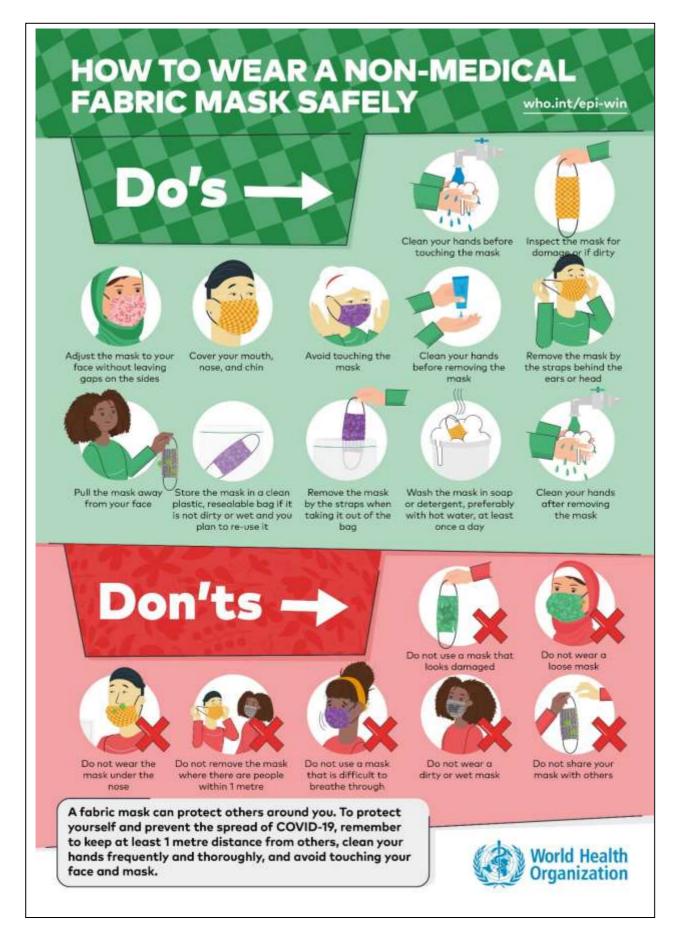
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### Other useful information:

For a list of other face mask-related questions and answers see the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services website: <u>www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/face-masks-victoria-covid-19</u>



#### Wearing re-useable fabric masks





## Wearing surgical / single use masks



