



## **Mask Advisory of the Holliston Board of Health Regarding Practices to Prevent Spread of Infectious Respiratory Droplets**

Along with vaccination and social distancing, **masking** is a critical public health tool for preventing spread of COVID-19. Masks and respirators are effective at reducing transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, when worn consistently and correctly. To protect yourself and others from COVID-19, CDC continues to recommend that you wear the most protective mask you can that fits well and that you will wear consistently. It is important to remember that any mask is better than no mask.

In light of the ongoing COVID pandemic, the Holliston Board of Health is issuing the following *advisory* regarding practices to prevent the spread of infectious respiratory droplets:

1. **Masking Indoors**

All persons, regardless of vaccination status, are strongly advised to wear a mask, or approved face covering, that covers their nose and mouth, whenever they are indoors and not in their own home. This is not only for their own safety, but also for the safety of those around them.

2. **Posting**

All open businesses and indoor spaces on the premises of a business, club or places of assembly, should display signs reminding anyone entering that they are strongly advised to wear a face covering.

3. **Term and Termination**

This order shall go into effect as of February 2, 2022 at 8:00 am. It shall remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to the Board of Health's judgment that the public health emergency no longer exists.

4. **Effective Date of Order: February 2, 2022.**

Agreed and Accepted:

Thomas Ellis, Chair, Board of Health

Date 2/1/2022