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To: ODDS Providers and Partners

From: Lilia Teninty, Director, Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)

Subject: Reminder of ODDS mask policy and guidance

On Nov. 23, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) [lifted the requirement](#) to wear masks in crowded public outdoor settings, such as football games, concerts, or holiday festivals.

Mask requirements for the Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) are still in place. The [reopening guides](#) have full details.

Masks are required, both outdoors and indoors, when providing care within six feet of an individual in the following settings:

- Adult foster homes (Providers living in the foster home setting where services are provided are not required to wear a mask.)
- 24-hour group homes
- Supported living
- Group day support and employment services

OHA noted that mask wearing, even outdoors, for people who are unvaccinated, elderly, immunocompromised or at higher risk of contracting

Face Covering Facts

FACT: Face coverings are an effective way to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Masks of all types help to contain the droplets and aerosols that spread COVID-19. When combined with physical distancing and hand washing, masks are an excellent way to reduce the spread of disease.



For more information visit healthoregon.org/coronavirus or call 211



the virus is still strongly recommended. OHA has more details on mask requirements on its [website](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lilia". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning.

Lilia Teninty
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