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**Community Update – October 19, 2020**

**Emerging Wisely Current State:** Relaxing Phase 2 – Next Steps

While wearing a mask is not currently mandatory in the NWT it is encouraged when out in public. If you are travelling to Yellowknife in the near future, we recommend you consider wearing one.

**The Federal Government provides the following recommendations on how to safely use a non-medical mask or face covering.**

| Do's | Don'ts |
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| • DO wear a non-medical mask or face covering to **protect others.**<br>• DO ensure the mask is made of **at least two layers of tightly woven fabric**.<br>• DO inspect the mask for tears or holes.<br>• DO ensure the mask or face covering is clean and dry.<br>• DO wash your hands or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer before and after touching the mask or face covering.<br>• DO use the ear loops or ties to put on and remove the mask.<br>• DO ensure your nose and mouth are fully covered.<br>• DO replace and launder your mask whenever it becomes damp or dirty.<br>• DO wash your mask with hot, soapy water and let it dry completely before wearing it again.<br>• DO store re-usable masks in a clean paper bag until you wear it again.<br>• DO discard masks that cannot be washed in a plastic lined garbage bin after use. | • DON'T reuse masks that are moist, dirty or damaged.<br>• DON'T wear a loose mask.<br>• DON'T touch the mask while wearing it.<br>• DON'T remove the mask to talk to someone.<br>• DON'T hang mask from your neck or ears.<br>• DON'T share your mask.<br>• DON'T leave your used mask within the reach of others. |

Remember, wearing a non-medical mask or face covering alone will not prevent the spread of COVID-19. You must also wash your hands often, practice physical distancing and stay home if you are sick.

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