INTERIM GUIDANCE FOR BARBERSHOPS AND SALONS

This document summarizes CUPHD’s recommendations for barbershops, hair & nail salons. This guidance will be reviewed and updated by CUPHD on May 31st, 2020.

How Can You Prevent the Spread of Coronavirus?
- There is currently no vaccine for COVID-19. Both the WHO and CDC recommend taking common precautions to prevent respiratory illness, including:
  - Regular hand washing with soap (for at least 20 seconds) or alcohol-based solution (at least 60% alcohol),
  - Covering coughing or sneezing with a tissue or elbow (not your hand),
  - Avoiding touching of eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands,
  - Limiting contact with people who are sick, and staying home if you are sick.

The CDC also recommends cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects. Health authorities do not recommend wearing masks at this time, unless you are a healthcare provider, infected with COVID-19, or caring for an infected person.

What Should Your Businesses Do Now?
- Increase cleaning of shared workstations, computers, or phones
- Encouraging employees to stay home if they are sick
- Social Distancing
  - Maintain a distance of 3 feet between clients
- Designate an area for isolation for ill staff until they can go home
- Restrict all non-essential work-related travel
- Restrict all external meetings to conference calls

Protecting Members and Staff
Some salons have begun enhancing their cleaning procedures during this outbreak. Whether your club decides to do this or not, consider communicating your current cleaning policies with members.
Another way to both keep clients safe and reassure them is to post signage featuring measures they can take to prevent illness. Reminders can include regular hand washing, wiping down equipment before and/or after use, covering coughs and sneezes, and avoiding touching eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.

**Recommendations for Nail Techs, Stylists, Apprentices, and Assistants**

- **ALWAYS** disinfect the items shared among clients in disinfectant solutions such as Barbicide
- **ALWAYS** disinfect shared hard surfaces (i.e: salon chairs/items your clients touch) at the beginning and end of the day, as well as in between clients
- **ALWAYS** disinfect the tools (i.e: clippers, handles to tools) you share with other stylists/nail techs before using them

**Recommendations for Front of House (Front Desk) Staff**

- **ALWAYS** disinfect the shared hard surfaces such as all door handles, telephones, and other items touched by clients, staff, or yourself
- **ALWAYS** be observant of clients who may be ill and suggest they reschedule on a day they feel better

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