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Employment Update: Masks Required Indoors in Sonoma County Starting Tomorrow August 3.

Effective tomorrow, August 3, 2021, Sonoma County is requiring that face coverings be worn, regardless of vaccination status, over the mouth and nose, in all indoor public settings, venues, gatherings, and workplaces, such as, but not limited to: offices, retail stores, restaurants, bars, theaters, family entertainment centers, conference centers, schools, daycares, and State and local government offices serving the public. See the order for more details here: https://socoemergency.org/order-of-the-health-officer-of-the-county-of-sonoma-c19-25/

Employers are required to ensure that face coverings are worn and operators of indoor places must post signs notifying people of the requirement.

The only exceptions to the Order are the following:

- a. Persons who are working alone in a closed office or room;
- b. Persons who are actively eating and/or drinking;
- c. Persons swimming or showering in a fitness facility;
- d. Persons who are obtaining a medical or cosmetic service involving the head or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service;
- e. Persons who are specifically exempted from wearing face coverings pursuant to other CDPH guidance.

If you have any questions about this please contact us. We will keep you posted on other state and local orders as they develop.