Masks Required for All New Yorkers

At his daily COVID-19 briefing today, Governor Cuomo announced his intent to issue an Executive Order requiring all New Yorkers to have a mask with mouth and nose covering that must be worn whenever social distancing is not being practiced. He used the example of keeping a mask around your neck while out for a walk and applying it if you are passing someone and can’t maintain a 6-foot distance.

The requirement will take effect in 3 days.

New York “Un-Pause”

The Governor also announced a blueprint for reopening New York’s Economy saying two tests will be considered in a phased approach to ending stay at home requirements.

1. How essential is business service or product?
2. What is risk of infection spread of the business?

He described a four part grid saying a business by business evaluation will be needed to see where in the grid sectors and businesses fall. When reopening, businesses will be required to provide workspaces that allow people to stay 6 feet apart.

We will share related documents when they are public.

Reminders:

- Effective 8 pm tonight, employers must provide masks to employees who interact with the public.

Tonight from 5-7 pm Senator Kemp Hannon, a member of the B&W Health Care Team, will facilitate Closing the Gap on Health Emergencies Responses to COVID-19 a virtual policy discussion sponsored by The State of H.O.P.E. (Healthcare Opportunities and Policy Exchange). A Panel of experts will discuss the roles of government, academia and the private sector in response to public health crises and development of related policies. https://events.hofstra.edu/?eID=37378