

From: [Chalyse Behm](#)
To: [Michael Coughlin](#)
Subject: [EXT]6pm Public Hearing Question
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:28:38 PM

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Hello! I am a concerned business owner of a gym in SLO County. We have been strongly recommending masks to our members but not enforcing them as intense physical exertion while wearing a mask can impede breathing and oxygen uptake. I am deeply concerned that mandating a mask will deter members from using our facility and from working out as intensely as they would like. We have already implemented a rigorous sanitizing schedule, rearranged our floor plan, have our trainers and staff wearing masks during all interaction with members, and are enforcing a capacity limit that allows for ample social distancing. I would like to know if I am required to turn away my members if they choose not to wear a mask while working out? Or can I allow them to take their mask off during high intensity training such as running on the treadmill or performing functional fitness? The health and longevity of our members is our number one priority. I am truly afraid that this mask-on mandate could impact us so severely that we may lose many members who have already gone too long without a proper workout and rely on us for their mental and physical health.

Thank you,
Chalyse Behm

From: [Christy Webb](#)
To: [Michael Coughlin](#)
Subject: [EXT]Another question
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Does the county require it?

From: [Rob Stone](#)
To: [Michael Coughlin](#)
Subject: [EXT]Mandatory Mask Requirement
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:19:59 PM

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At today's virtual meeting of the County Health Commission, would Dr. Borenstein please speak about the mandatory mask requirement. Some businesses seem to be under the impression they will be fined if they allow customers into their establishments without masks.

This afternoon my teenage son encountered an issue at the gas station. He went into the market to pay cash but the shopkeeper would not allow him inside with out a mask. He informed the clerk he has asthma and could the clerk come out and get the money for the gas, but the clerk refused. Should my son carry a note from his doctor indicating wearing a mask restricts his breathing? Would that make any difference? He normally doesn't have any asthma issues but with the recent fires, his asthma is flaring up.

I hope our PH could announce to community they should at least provide reasonable accommodations to those who have difficulty wearing a mask.

Rob Stone

From: [ThatPhillySound](#)
To: [Michael Coughlin](#)
Subject: [EXT]Mask order by Governor Newsom
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:49:14 PM

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I am still a bit confused regarding this order to wear masks in grocery stores, restaurants (people standing in line to order) and workers in these facilities that handle food. I live in Cambria and our market said that they would only require masks if they heard from the county that they had to. They have had an outbreak in their deli section, where the workers did not wear masks. Is this mandatory or is it still decided by the individual owner of the stores/restaurants? Also, many of the people (especially tourists) do not wear masks, in the grocery stores. Please clarify.

Thank you.

Christy Webb

From: [Katie Mervin](#)
To: [Michael Coughlin](#)
Subject: [EXT]Mask Order Question
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:07:17 PM

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Hello,

I saw that I was able to email this address to get some clarification.

I run a local Children's Center. We are not mandating masks as they have to come off and on for staff and children to participate in daily routines (eating is one example) and for safety as the children can't hear what we are saying when they are more than a foot or two away.

I am trying to find the official wording about the order as the LA Times mentioned that it was not mandated for people **"may need to temporarily remove a mask to perform a task or service."**

I feel as if we fit into this category for sure but I want to make sure I am getting my info from official sources, not just new articles.

Thank you for input.

Katie Mervin

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From: [Josh Donovan](#)
To: [Michael Coughlin](#)
Subject: [EXT]Public Comment
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I am a gym operator in Atascadero: GIVE Fitness Health Club.

I would like to fully endorse the first public comment regarding gyms and the concerns surrounding the potential requirement of masks.

Dr. Rosen mentioned preferring that exercise take place outside, but we are entering extremely hot months and many people benefit from being able to exercise in a cool environment.

With proper social distancing efforts, spacing machines, and vigorous sanitation, I believe an exception should be made for fitness centers that have made those accommodations.

Thank you,
Josh Donovan
CEO, GIVE Fitness