

## Wearing a Face Covering: Myth Vs. Fact

MYTH: I don't have COVID. I don't need to wear a mask.

FACT: COVID can be spread by people who show no symptoms. Wearing a face covering in public can help

reduce this kind of transmission.

MYTH: If I'm just running into the store for a quick trip, I don't need to wear a mask.

**FACT:** Everyone over the age of 2 years old should wear a face covering when in public (especially when social

distancing is difficult or impossible).

MYTH: I've already had COVID, so don't need to wear anything anymore.

**FACT:** With infected with COVID-19, a face covering helps keep the respiratory droplets that carry COVID-19 contained so they don't spread to other people. It's unclear how long any immunity protection may last,

so all are encouraged to continue wearing a mask when out.

MYTH: Due to medical problems, I can't wear a face mask so I'll just risk it.

**FACT:** There are options that slow the spread of COVID for those unable to wear facemasks. The CDC website

has guidance and alternatives.

Source: CDC

## How to Wear a Face Covering

- Your face covering should cover both your nose and mouth.
- It should fit snugly against the sides of your face, and should never be worn below the chin or on the forehead.
- If your face covering is made of cloth, be sure to wash it after each use.
- Need help making your own mask? Visit the CDC website for simple how-to directions.

