

Health Regulation and Licensing Administration

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Cosmetology and Barber Professionals

Re.: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Guidance
Via Electronic-mail

Dear Cosmetology and Barber Professionals,

In accordance with the [Mayor's Declaration of a Public Health Emergency](#) and in response to coronavirus (COVID-19), DC Health is providing the following recommendations in order to practice social distancing and to minimize the risk of disease transmission:

- Clients should be spaced at least six (6) feet apart.
 - If possible, space clients in every other booth.
- No more than fifty (50) individuals per facility. We recommend moving to appointments only for services.
- Wash hands frequently and in between clients.
- Wear gloves when possible.
 - Change gloves and wash hands when changing activities and between clients.
- Ensure equipment is cleaned & sanitized between usage and between clients.
- Clean and sanitize all work surfaces at a minimum of every 2-4 hours.
 - Approved disinfectants can be found at <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>.
- Employees with cold or flu-like symptoms should stay home.
- Customers exhibiting cold or flu-like symptoms can be denied services at management's discretion.

For more information and resources on COVID-19, please visit coronavirus.dc.gov. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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