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Guidance for hairdressers, beauticians, physiotherapists and other personal health and wellbeing services – 4 June 2020

The Falkland Islands Government on 3 June 2020, announced it was appropriate to ease some restrictions put in place in late March in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic. For hairdressers, beauticians, physiotherapists and other personal health and wellbeing services, this easing of restrictions will take effect Friday 5 June .

The Falkland Islands Government would like to reinforce the advice that although most activities are now resuming, it is extremely important to keep observing public health measures around COVID-19.

- continue to clean and disinfect surfaces regularly, particularly those that are high contact
- continue to maintain good hygiene, particularly hand hygiene and good cough/sneeze etiquette

This will help to significantly reduce the rate at which COVID-19 will spread if it appears in the community at a later date.

All businesses are encouraged to keep records to enable contact tracing and manage their numbers.

The general Guidance for the Workplace released on 7 May, 2020, will enable you to plan for re-opening along with the specific guidance points for your sector.

Hairdressers, Beauticians, Physiotherapists and other personal health and wellbeing services

Your plan should address the following:

- Keep records to enable contact tracing

- Check on arrival that no clients have symptoms of a viral illness (or phone them on the day)
- No staff to work if they are unwell
- Appointments only, no walk ins, with enough time between them to ensure no-one is waiting and to allow for wiping down of hard surfaces
- Disinfecting of hard surfaces between each client
- Regular hand washing by staff and other usual good hygiene measures
- Social distancing where possible e.g. don't have 2 clients having their hair washed simultaneously in neighbouring wash basins if this can be avoided (clearly hairdresser/other practitioner and client cannot socially distance)

Hairdressers, and similar workers, are not required to wear personal protective equipment (PPE) like masks. We expect, however, that many workers and customers may want workers to wear masks and you may want to consider a face mask or face shield as an additional measure to basic hygiene measures.

These recommendations are for guidance and may change as the situation develops.

Useful Contacts

For medical enquires KEMH Telephone 28000

For latest updates and guidance visit www.fig.gov.fk/covid-19

If you still require advice after consulting the website, please contact Falkland Islands Public Health Unit by emailing Carol Morrison (cmorrison@sec.gov.fk) with your enquiry.