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**TO:** All employees, contractors and those entering department locations

**FROM:** Stephen Sinclair, Secretary

**SUBJECT:** Extended Mandatory Use of Surgical Masks

Per my previous [Mandatory Use of Surgical Masks](#) memo sent on November 6, 2020, the department enhanced personal protective equipment (PPE) measures and implemented mandatory wearing of surgical masks for all departmental staff, contract staff and persons entering all department locations.

This requirement has been extended and will remain in place through February 28, 2021 and all department locations will continue to provide surgical masks for usage by staff, contractors and others entering department locations.

By continuing to follow COVID-19 protocols, we can mitigate the spread and remain safe and healthy.