

# FACE COVERINGS

## attitudes and practices within close contact retail services

### Hair and beauty sector summary findings from a research study funded by UK Government

The findings of this study represent workers that provide close contact services and members of the public that receive these services in small consulting rooms (e.g. within opticians, community pharmacies, hair and beauty salons, holistic therapy centres, podiatrists etc.). There was commonality in the results found between hair and beauty workers and the public, and pharmacy workers and 'other' workers.



#### Hair and beauty workers

**52%** of workers surveyed worked in hair and beauty (85% of these lived in England)

#### Ventilation

**67%** of hair and beauty premises used natural ventilation e.g. opening windows.



#### Knowledge

**91%** of hair and beauty workers reported 'very good' or 'good' COVID-19 knowledge

#### Changes to work

**58%** of hair and beauty workers reported the wearing of face coverings changed aspects of their work



#### Mandated face coverings

**26%** of hair and beauty workers would not wear a face covering if they were not mandated, though often the workplace required workers to continue to wear them

#### Changing face coverings

**56%** of hair and beauty workers change their face covering after rest/lunch breaks



#### Impact on mood

**46%** of hair and beauty workers felt that wearing a face covering lowered their mood a little or a lot

As a result of this project recommendations have been made for policy, practice and research. Want to understand more? Read the final report and infographics [here](#)