

## **New FAQs – July 29, 2020**

- 1. Is there a plan for additional teams or departments to transition to telecommuting/working remotely?*

### **From the COVID-19 Response Team:**

Currently, telecommuting options are to be discussed directly with your supervisor. In addition, please reference the Temporary Guideline for Telecommuting located at:

<http://sps2010/infectioncontrol/CORONAVIRUS%202019VCov/Manager%20Resources/Temporary%20Telecommuting/Temporary%20Telecommuting%20Policy.pdf>

AltaMed is also in the process of developing a remote work plan and tools that will help supervisors assess whether employees are eligible to work outside their regular work location for all or part of their regular schedule.

- 2. Can staff who work alone or are not in contact with patients wear fabric masks from home? We have a lot of complaints about boxed masks giving rashes or causing acne.*

### **From the COVID-19 Response Team:**

Yes, if you are unable to wear a surgical mask due to irritation, you may wear a cloth mask that has at least two layers and fits snugly. Consider placing a surgical mask inside the cloth mask for added filtration. With that being said, though, cloth masks are not considered personal protective equipment or medical equipment but can be used for source control.