
Are we masking up? Lindsay pharmacist says 'yes'

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Just prior to the local health unit's mandating of masks in mid-July, the grumbling seemed deafening – from consumers, but also from some business owners tasked with enforcing this new rule.

It's not uncommon to, a few weeks into the new regulation, observe the unmasked wandering aisles in defiance – serving as fodder for the shaming soldiers of social media. But in most quarters of Kawartha Lakes, the majority of residents of Kawartha Lakes would seem to falling in line.

Cathy Puffer, owner of Remedy's RX in Lindsay, said a few days prior to the official start date of the edict, she figured 60 per cent of her clientele were wearing masks. But by the end of day one of the new rule, that number had increased – even beyond her expectations.

“I would say 99 per cent were wearing masks and well-aware of the new requirement,” she told The Advocate Podcast: Stories from Kawartha Lakes, adding that she was, indeed, surprised at the high percentage.

The few who didn't have a mask, she said, either purchased a disposable one at her business or simply returned with some kind of face covering.

(You can listen to that entire interview with Cathy Puffer [here](#)).

The issue of how the rule should be enforced – and who, ultimately, can enforce it – has been hotly debated

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