BAYADA Delivery Update – Final Round
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BAYADA Home Health Care Pediatric nurses care for medically complex children, many of whom are ventilator dependent. The nurses are in desperate need of masks to wear when visiting patients and families who have not been exposed to COVID 19.

- On Monday, 4/27, Cindy and Gavin delivered 2992 masks and 42 coping boxes to BAYADA’s distribution center. What an incredible accomplishment. Thank you to all!
- We hope to sew an additional 2008 masks to complete our promise of 5,000 masks to be distributed nationwide and the Philadelphia/New Jersey/New Jersey/Delaware region. Please continue to sew if you are able. These masks will be used immediately upon receipt.
- In addition to the masks, nurses will be provided with Case for Smiles CopingSpace information to share with their families (their patients and their own). These resources provide families with easy to understand information to help them cope with a child’s illness today, while building resilience for the future.

The pattern and video tutorial can be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zm_NmpdgWWA&feature=youtu.be. This pattern was developed by a nurse and allows repeated use, comfort and the option for a filter. Once you make the first mask they go very quickly.

Please note: Instead of cutting your fabric 10 X 8 please cut 10 X 7.

- Use 100% cotton fabric- preferably a novelty or bright print (for the front of the mask) as the nurses care for children and masks can be scary.
- Wash all material in hot water, using unscented detergent before sewing to compensate for shrinkage during repeated washings.
- Use thin welt cording, or grosgrain ribbon for ties.
- Use florist wire, pipe cleaners or garden ties for nose piece.

We would like to complete the final 2008 masks by May 9th with a delivery date of May 11th. I know we can do it!

Questions: Contact Cindy@caseforsmiles.org or Dana@caseforsmiles.org.

Wishing you smiles.....