RECOMMENDATION FOR DESIGNATED SHOPPING HOURS

Specific members of our community are at higher risk for developing severe complications of illness, including COVID-19. We recommend that retail stores provide designated shopping times that are only for high-risk individuals. Designated hours should ideally include times when cleaning activities have just been completed and items have been recently restocked.

Populations that should be considered for such designated shopping hours include individuals who are:

- Over the age of 60
- Immune-compromised because of pre-existing health conditions (e.g. diabetes, heart disease, lung disease) or medications like chemotherapy
- Pregnant or those with a child under the age of 2 years that they cannot leave at home with another caregiver