INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOMEMADE FACE MASK (NO ELASTIC NEEDED)

Materials needed

- Tight-weave cotton fabric (i.e. quilting cotton)
 - Fabric must be newly purchased within approximately the past year and never used.
 - Wash and dry fabric without fragrance or dyes prior to sewing.
- Options for Ties
 - Bias Tape (either ½ or 7/8 as available)

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Make ties from strips of fabric indicated above (cut strips 2 " wide by 16" long)

One adult mask requires two (2) 9"x6" pieces tight-weave cotton and four (4) 16" pieces of bias tape or fabric ties (64" total per mask). Therefore, one yard of 44" wide fabric yields 12-15 masks. You need 21 1/3 yards of bias tape for 12 masks.

You can make two sizes: Adult or Child. Adult-sized masks will be the greatest need.

- 1. Place right sides of cotton fabric together (Be sure any fabric design is placed horizontally.)
 - a. Cut 9x6 (Adult) or 7.5 x 5 (Child)
- 2. Starting at the center of the bottom edge, sew around the edges of the fabric leaving about 1.5" to 2" open.
- 3. Stop, cut the thread. Turn inside out.
- 4. Pin three (3) ½" tucks on each side of the mask. Make sure the tucks are the same direction.
- 5. Make ties using Bias Tape or Fabric.
 - a. Bias tape: stitch closed.
 - b. Fabric: Fold in half, turn under 1/4 " on each long side, iron in place. Stitch long edges closed.
- 6. Pin one (1) tie at each corner.
- 7. Sew around the edge of the mask twice, catching the bias tape as you go.