

COVID19 HCW Personal Protective Equipment & Environmental Controls

The selection of PPE is based on: the nature of the interaction with patient, the likely mode(s) of transmission, intensity of exposure, duration of exposure, and ability to routinely change PPE.

INCREASING RISK OF TRANSMISSION							
Order of Doffing	Personal Protective Equipment	Primary Screening Station (entrance)	All Staff		Any Staff providing direct patient care or within 2m of patient in isolation	Aerosol Generating Medical Procedures (AGMP) (For patients not cleared of COVID-19 Risk)	COVID 19 Inpatient Unit
			Non-patient areas	Potential patient interaction			
1	Gloves				X	X	X
2	Yellow Gown				X	X	X
Perform Hand Hygiene							
3	Eye Protection/ Face shield*	X		X	X	X	X
4	Mask – surgical / procedure	X	X	X	X		X
	Mask – N95**					X	X (see AGMP column)
Perform Hand Hygiene							
Environmental Controls	Clean equipment between patients				Curtains drawn if shared Room Clean equipment between patients	Negative air/hepafilter Doors Closed Clean equipment between patients	Curtains drawn if shared room Clean equipment between patients

*Face shields – leave on for duration of shift, or if visibly soiled discard and don new shield if required. Discard at end of shift.

Eye Protection/face shield are to be cleaned with disinfectant wipes if visibly soiled or at end of shift. All masks to be replaced if soiled, wet, and at end of shift.

** N95 Mask – use is based on risk group categories, and prioritized by nature of exposure/ability of staff to frequently change PPE. Regardless of location, N95 should be worn during all aerosol generating procedures on all query or confirmed COVID-19 cases.

Patient/Public Activity	PPE Use by Patient
Entering facility (provided at screening desk)	<p>Mask-Surgical/procedure</p> <p>If patient unable to mask, work through process with Director (Alternative during patient interaction-patient can cover nose and mouth with tissue, face cloth or linen, turn head to side)</p> <p>If visitor unable to mask- no entry permitted</p> <p>Visitors are to be masked at all times while within the Hospital. No eating or drinking at bedside.</p>
Query or Confirmed COVID-19	
Patient in Hallways	
Patient going for test	
Visitor with patient	
Patient with visitor	
While HCW providing care	