

Personal Protective Equipment Instructions

Specific for: ACF & Quick Care (6.3.20)

All Patient Care

- Use an **N95 mask and faceshield** within 6 feet of any patient (please see guidance on KN95s or talk to your manager if you are unclear about which type of N95 you should have).
- If a faceshield is not available, use a surgical mask over your N95 with goggles
- Put on a surgical cap at the beginning of your shift and leave it on for your entire shift

COVID-19 Patient Care

- **Gowns** should be used during care of patients **positive** for COVID-19 or that have **symptoms** of COVID-19
- Doors to rooms with positive or suspected COVID-19 cases should be kept shut as much as safely possible

Donning & Doffing PPE:

Procedure for donning PPE:

1. Perform hand hygiene.
2. Put on isolation gown (if indicated).
3. Put on N95 mask.
4. Put on a faceshield. If one is not available, put on a surgical mask over your N95 and goggles.
5. Put on gloves.

Procedure for doffing PPE:

1. Remove gloves and gown in one step by tearing or carefully untying gown, rolling it down the arms and into a ball with the inside of the gown being contained, removing gloves when you get to your hands. This prevents spread of droplets that may remain on the gown and reduces the chances of touching contaminated gloves. Discard in a covered trash receptacle within patient's room.
2. Perform hand hygiene.
3. Exit room to a location where you can clean your faceshield or goggles.
4. Remove eye protection.
5. Decontaminate eye protection with a hospital-provided disinfectant solution.
6. Perform hand hygiene.
7. Remove surgical mask (if applicable) and discard. Perform hand hygiene.
8. Remove N95 by grasping the elastic without touching the surface of the N95.
 - a. If the N95 has not been contaminated, store it between uses in a clean place where it will not become contaminated.
 - b. **DO NOT discard the N95** unless you feel it has been contaminated
9. Perform hand hygiene again.