

Recommendations For Personal Protective Equipment

NON-CLINICAL CAREGIVERS of Patients COVID-19 Positive or Being Ruled Out

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CHECK WITH NURSING BEFORE ENTERING ISOLATION ROOMS FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE

	Face Mask (surgical or ear-loop mask)	CAPR or N95 (fit-tested respirator)	Protective Eyewear (goggles or faceshield)	Gown & Gloves
Caregivers Performing Screening at Point of Entry to Hospital or Department	Wear Face Mask*		Wear Protective Eyewear**	Only if direct contact with patient or contact with contaminated equipment
Patient Service Representative (PSR) • If serving as point of entry screener follow above recommendation for “Caregivers Performing Screening”	Follow Standard Precautions			
Health Unit Coordinator (HUC)	Follow Standard Precautions			
Dietary/Nutrition	Do NOT enter room. Leave trays at nursing station			
Patient Transporters of patients in Modified Droplet—UPON <u>ENTRY</u> INTO PATIENT ROOM	Wear Face Mask			Wear Gown & Gloves
Patient Transporters of patients in Modified Droplet—UPON <u>EXITING</u> PATIENT ROOM	Patient and Transporter: Wear <u>new</u> Face Mask Upon exiting			Only if direct contact with patient or contact with contaminated equipment
EVS doing Routine Cleaning for rooms with Contact/Droplet Isolation	Wear Face Mask		Wear Protective Eyewear	Wear Gown & Gloves
EVS doing Terminal (Discharge) Cleaning for rooms with Contact/Droplet Isolation	Wear Face Mask		Wear Protective Eyewear (if splashes or sprays anticipated)	Wear Gown & Gloves

***Face mask usage:** Extended use for face masks: One mask per shift. Change face mask with contamination with respiratory secretions, or obvious soilage or damage. Masks should always be worn covering nose & mouth. Used mask handled by ear loops ONLY. Never touch the front of the mask. Perform hand hygiene after handling used mask.

****Protective Eyewear:** Reusable goggles or facemask preferable. Can be worn for extended period. Must be cleaned with disinfectant wipes with contamination/soilage and after each use.

Direct Contact :
Distance: within 6 feet of patient
Time: >10 minutes
Contact with patient’s secretions, body fluids, blood, etc.

Standard Precautions:
Hand hygiene
Cough etiquette
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- Gloves: if reasonably expect to come into contact with non-intact skin or body fluids
- Gowns: if reasonably expect that your uniform could get soiled
- Masks / Face protection: during care activities where this a chance of splash or spray of body fluids, blood, excretions, secretions