




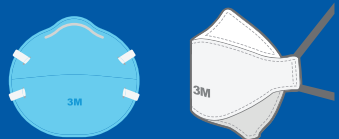


# Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Guidelines

Applicable to PPE use in the hospital setting, including the emergency department, and ambulatory settings

Current as of November 17, 2020

*These guidelines apply in cases when PPE is worn for individual patient interactions.*

PPE	Use	Details
<b>Gowns</b> 	✓	<div>  <b>Impervious/Fluid-resistant:</b>            Blood or body fluid risk, including aerosol-generating procedures (AGPs) such as intubation, regardless of patient's COVID-19 status. Remove if contaminated.         </div> <div>  <b>Isolation:</b>            When there is no blood or body fluid risk. Remove if contaminated.         </div>
<b>Eye protection</b> (mask with face shield, face shield or goggles) 	✓	Use with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patients, for all AGPs, and for all encounters with any individual who is unable to wear a mask.  If reusing, disinfect with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved wipe, air dry, and place in labeled bag with name.
<b>Procedure mask</b> 	✓	<div>           Required to be worn at all times in the hospital, ambulatory or practice office settings.   <b>Patients should wear a procedure mask when outside their room and in their room whenever possible.</b> </div> <div> <b>Place over N95 respirator:</b>            – When caring for a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case without aerosols.            – When performing AGPs on a patient known to be COVID-19 negative or asymptomatic with unknown COVID-19 status.         </div> <div>           Not required over N95 respirator for AGPs for suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patients since N95 respirator will be discarded.         </div>
<b>N95 respirator</b> 	✓	Worn for all patient encounters where individuals have suspected or confirmed COVID-19 status. Worn for all AGPs regardless of patient's COVID-19 status. Discard ONLY after suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patient contact.  Between uses, store in breathable bag labeled with name.