










Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Reuse & Replace Guidelines

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

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

Current as of November 12, 2020

Upon request by those interacting directly with patients, we will replace uncontaminated N95 respirators once each day.

	Suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case WITHOUT aerosols	For all patients WITH aerosol-generating procedures
 Reuse  Replace		
 N95 respirator	Reuse Place in a breathable bag labeled with your name*	<div> Replace after completion of the aerosol-generating procedure </div> <div> Reuse if patient is known negative or asymptomatic unknown for COVID-19 </div>
 Procedure mask	Replace when damp, soiled or contaminated	Replace after completion of the aerosol-generating procedure if patient is known negative or asymptomatic unknown for COVID-19
 Procedure mask with attached face shield	Replace when damp, soiled or contaminated	Replace after completion of the aerosol-generating procedure if patient is known negative or asymptomatic unknown for COVID-19
 Eye protection	Reuse Disinfect with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved wipe. Then air dry and place in a bag labeled with your name.	Reuse Disinfect with an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved wipe. Then air dry and place in a bag labeled with your name.
 Impervious/Fluid-resistant gown	Replace after each patient encounter involving blood or body fluid	Replace after completion of the aerosol-generating procedure
 Isolation gown	Replace after each patient encounter	N/A
 Gloves	Replace	Replace

NOTE: Replace any PPE that becomes contaminated

***Reuse Protocol:** See "Recommended Guidance for Extended Use and Limited Re-Use of N95 Filtering Facepiece Respirators in Healthcare Settings" on the Emergency Management Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information webpage.