

COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment Guidelines

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Spectrum Health provides PPE for team members based upon risk of exposure to COVID-19. At minimum, all team members, who work onsite at any Spectrum Health location, will be provided a non-medical grade face covering.

Clinical Context	Personal Protective Equipment
Aerosol generating procedures (AGPs) of suspected and confirmed COVID-19 patients*	Required: N-95 respirator mask/ PAPR or CAPR, face shield (preferred) or goggles, gown and gloves.
Direct patient care with suspected and confirmed COVID-19 patients	<p>Required, hospital setting: Standard isolation face mask, face shield (preferred) or goggles, gown and gloves.</p> <p>Required, ambulatory settings: <i>Minimal contact:</i> Standard isolation face mask, face shield (preferred) or goggles, and gloves. <i>Close contact:</i> all PPE from “minimal contact”, plus gown.</p>
All patient facing team members during all patient care encounters.	Required: Standard isolation face mask and eye protection.
All hospital and clinic settings (including: hallways, common areas, and clinical spaces)	<p>Required: Standard isolation face mask.</p> <p>Required for patients and visitors: Spectrum Health issued standard isolation mask in public spaces and in a patient room when team member is present.</p>
All other Spectrum Health settings (warehouse, business offices, Priority Health, etc.)	Required: Face mask in public areas, conference rooms and shared workspaces including cubicles (homemade, standard isolation mask, or PPE from home are acceptable).

***AGPs including but not limited to:** Endotracheal intubation/extubation, CPR, BiPAP/CPAP, high flow nasal cannula, nebulizer treatment, bronchoscopy, and all care of intubated patients due to concern for unplanned or accidental disconnection from ventilator.

Additional PPE information:

- **Masks required in conference rooms and shared work spaces:** Per Governor Whitmer's [MI Safe Start Plan](#), masks are required to be worn in Spectrum Health conference rooms and shared work spaces. Proper hand hygiene and social distancing also are best practices to help keep our team members safe from COVID-19. Refer to this [Shared Spaces Toolkit](#) for room preparations, signage and supplies to be used in waiting rooms, conference rooms, break rooms, lobbies, shared office spaces and more to keep these spaces safe for all.
- In Emergency Department and COVID-19 designated units, team members have option of using either a standard isolation mask or N95 respirator mask for routine patient care for COVID-19 positive patients or PUIs along with other PPE for Severe Respiratory precautions. Either choice (isolation mask or N95 respirator) is fully protective for routine care of patients with COVID-19. [See details here](#)
- PPE guidance documents for surgeries and procedures are available here: [COVID-19 PPE Surgical- Procedural Workflows](#), [COVID-19 PPE for Surgical Interventions](#), [COVID-19 PPE for Procedural Interventions](#)
- In using PPE from home, a team member accepts the risk that it may not be adequate to protect you. See details in [PPE from Home](#) document.