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

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<th><em><em>Direct patient care</em> with suspected and confirmed COVID-19 patients</em>*</th>
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| **All patient facing team members during all patient care encounters.** | **Required**: Standard isolation mask for all patient encounters*  
**Required for AGPs**: N-95 respirator with eye protection or PAPR with standard isolation mask |
| **All hospital and ambulatory settings (including: hallways, common areas, and clinical spaces)** | **Required**: Standard isolation mask.  
**Required for patients and visitors**: Spectrum Health issued standard isolation mask. |
| **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). |
| **Dedicated COVID-19 testing centers and drive thru locations** | **Required**: N-95 respirator/PAPR**, face shield or goggles, gown, and gloves |

*Based on updated MIOSHA rules and CDC recommendations, all team members caring for COVID-19 positive patients or in prolonged close contact with suspected cases of COVID-19 are now **required** to wear an N95 respirator or PAPR with standard isolation mask along with other COVID-19 related PPE. Prolonged close contact is defined as within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more.

If fit testing has not been completed, team members may use a **universal 3M 9205+ N95** with a proper seal check as a safe option until a fit test can be completed. If you cannot get a proper seal utilizing the seal check method, use a PAPR with standard isolation mask where available.

**Nares swabbing for asymptomatic screening purposes in both hospital and ambulatory spaces only require a standard isolation mask.**

**Eye protection must be worn when respiratory secretions are anticipated per the Standard Precautions policy.**

AGP: aerosol generating procedure

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