

Department of Infection Prevention and Hospital Epidemiology (DIPHE)

Rational Use of Personal Protective Equipment for suspected/Confirmed COVID-19 Patients

Note: Routine use of masks by all is not deemed to be helpful and is not recommended.



Direct Health Care Worker

Settings	Activity	Gloves	Medical Mask	N95 Mask	Full Sleeves Gown	Eye shield / Goggles
Patient Room	Providing direct care	✓	✓		✓	✓
	Aerosol - generating procedures	✓		✓	✓	✓
Consultation Room	Physical examination of patient with respiratory symptoms	✓	✓		✓	✓
Screening Area	Staff at ED Triage and staff at clinic assessment room	✓	✓			

Laboratory Staff

Molecular Lab staff testing samples	Manipulation of respiratory samples.	✓		✓	✓	✓
Phlebotomist	Collecting blood samples	✓	✓		✓	✓

House Keeping staff

Patient Room / Consultation Room/ Screening Area	Entering the room/ Screening area where Patient screened with respiratory symptoms	✓ (Heavy duty gloves)	✓		✓	✓ (if risk of splash)
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Visitors

Visitors of COVID -19 positive patient	Entering the room of a COVID-19 patient	✓	✓		✓	
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General population

Other staff (Not dealing with COVID Positive patients and visitors administrative areas staff, public areas etc.)	NO Personal Protective Equipment's Required					
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Reference: Rational use of personal protective equipment for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/331215/WHO-2019-nCov-IPCPPE_use-2020.1-eng.pdf