

UHB-Personal Protective Equipment

- Masks with valves are NOT PERMITTED to be worn by anyone in the facility
- Booties or caps/bonnets MAY NOT BE WORN as part of PPE garb outside of OR/procedural areas¹
- Staff with facial hair or who are unable to wear an N95 respirator, will be issued a PAPR mask, per hospital policy
- Hand washing practices should be rigorously adhered to before and after every clinical encounter

UHB HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL IN CLINICAL AREAS (Inpatient or Outpatient)		
Not engaged in direct patient care activities (i.e. passing through units, meeting with colleagues, charting or reviewing EMR, making phone calls etc.)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask
DIRECT PATIENT CONTACT WITH PATIENTS <u>NOT</u> SUSPECTED OF COVID-19 ¹		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask + Eye protection (i.e., face shield or goggles)
ALL AEROSOL-GENERATING PROCEDURES (i.e., intubation, nebulizer tx, tracheal suctioning, obtaining nasopharyngeal specimens) use Transmission-Based Precautions. No exceptions.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N95 + Eye Protection + Gown + Gloves
DIRECT PATIENT CONTACT^{1 and 1a} WITH COVID-19+/PUI (Persons Under Investigation)	Engaged in hands-on activity or activity that requires sustained close proximity ($\leq 6'$ for ≥ 10 minutes) with COVID-19 + patients / PUIs AND potential for exposure to body fluids/secretions ³	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N95 + Eye Protection + Gown + Gloves
ED/NS24/NS33/Stepdowns²	All times Direct COVID-19 +/PUI care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N95 + Eye Protection • N95 or equivalent + Eye Protection+ Gown+ Gloves
OTHER SERVICES		
Environmental Services	In patient rooms with COVID-19+ or PUIs ENHANCED PRECAUTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask + Eye Protection + Gown
Vendors/Contractors	In patient rooms with COVID-19+/PUI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask + Eye Protection + Gloves
ALL PERSONNEL		
Simulated Clinical Activities	With other personnel in close proximity ($\leq 6'$ for ≥ 10 minutes) whose status is unknown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask + Eye Protection + Gloves
OFFICES/CORRIDORS/CONGREGATE SETTINGS	With interactions with other employees or public, all parties must wear a mask at all times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask
NON-UHB PERSONNEL		
All Activities	All times, in all public and congregate spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear loop mask

- PPE use should always be based on a thorough risk assessment.

¹Direct contact refers to “hands on” contact with patients or equipment AND may be performed both by clinical & ancillary staff.

^{1a} This would apply to and include community health organizations, schools and private medical offices.

²At affiliate sites, this would include open clinical areas where aerosol-generating procedures may occur without the use of an airborne infection isolation room or HEPA filter.

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