

IPC Recommendations PPE Table for Assessment Centres during COVID-19

1. This document provides current guidance and recommendations for PPE during COVID-19. Each care space is different and recommendations may change as conditions change. Always perform a [Point of Care Risk Assessment](#) to determine PPE requirements.
2. Note that gloves do not replace the need for hand hygiene. Instead of wearing gloves, [performing hand hygiene](#) frequently is recommended. Gloves cannot be cleaned and become contaminated very quickly. Gloves should be used when handling disinfectants or before contact with body fluids.
3. Healthcare providers (HCP) working behind transparent barriers must follow continuous masking directives. HCP who are not fully vaccinated are required to wear eye protection continuously if they are involved in patient care that occurs within two metres (2 m) as well as indirect patient care such as meal delivery and housekeeping.
4. Fit tested N95 respirators are not preferred for continuous masking or non-AGMP situations but may be selected by healthcare provider after performing a risk assessment. N95 respirators must be changed as recommended


HCP Type Examples AHS HCP/Contracted HCP/ Volunteers	Tasks	Direct Patient Contact?	Within 2 meters patient or contaminated space?	PPE Required*	When to Change	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCP not working within 2 meters of a patient 	HCP working in patient care areas are to follow AHS Guidelines for Continuous Masking in Healthcare settings . Additional PPE not required. Perform hand hygiene frequently					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wayfinder / Greeter • Protective Services 	Wayfinding and directing patients to clean their hands and don procedure mask	No	Yes Continuous Masking Eye Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure mask • Eye protection 	Facial protection changed when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gown and gloves not recommended • Perform hand hygiene frequently
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ILI criteria screeners 	Asking patients screening questions, obtaining ID, filling out requisitions	Yes, indirect and direct	Yes Continuous Masking Eye Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure mask • Eye protection • Gown 	Facial protection and gown changed when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloves not recommended • Perform hand hygiene frequently
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration clerks 	Entering data	No	Yes Continuous Masking Eye Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure mask • Eye protection 	Facial protection changed when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gown and gloves not recommended • Perform hand hygiene frequently
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nurses • Nurse practitioners • Physicians • Allied Health 	Interviews, basic assessments (e.g., vital signs) NP swab collection	Yes, indirect and direct	Yes Continuous Masking Eye Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure mask • Eye protection • Gown • Gloves 	Facial protection when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift change Gown and gloves must be changed between each patient encounter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gown and gloves do not need to be changed between members of same family when presenting together
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housekeeper / Environmental Services 	Cleaning of assessment centre environment	Yes, indirect	Continuous Masking Eye Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure mask • Eye protection • Gloves • Gown (depending on task) 	Facial protection and gown (if worn) when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes gloves frequently • Determine need for gown based on PCRA

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