

## Facility Staff PPE Usage Grid

	Surgical Mask	N95 Respirator If fit Tested & Available	Gloves	Eye Protection	Gowns
<b>Direct Resident Interaction within 6 feet</b>					
<b>Cohort 1</b>					
COVID-19 Negative Environment (facility wide or cohort)	X			X	
<b>Cohort 2 – Quarantined Unknown Status</b>					
New Admission/Re-admission after ER visit or overnight hospitalization	If not fit tested or N95 not available	X	X	X	X
Exposed		X	X	X	X
Family transport to physician visit		X	X	X	X
Personal outing (i.e., funeral) – not within reopening guidelines		X	X	X	X
Suspected COVID-19 (signs and symptoms/pending test)		X	X	X	X
<b>Cohort 3</b>					
COVID-19 Positive		X	X	X	X

### Notes:

- **Use of PPE optimization strategies recommended before shortages occur. Some examples include:**
  - *Prioritizing Gowns by task in Cohort 2 is appropriate (not required for task where no direct contact occurs with environment or resident i.e., passing a medication).*
  - *Alternative gown use in negative cohorts when facility wide PPE is instituted for outbreak mitigation.*
  - *Extended wear of gowns is only acceptable in Cohort 3 (same diagnosis without any other known reason for contact precautions; i.e, C.diff)*
  - *Consider use of Battelle System for decontamination of N95 respirators, limited reuse, or extended wear strategies. Prioritize for aerosol generating procedures.*
  - *Do not double glove*
- **Do not use the same pair of gloves for care of more than one resident.**
  - *Remove and discard when damaged/soiled during care, upon completion of care, when leaving a resident room. Perform hand hygiene.*
- **Removal and disposal of PPE**
  - *Gloves and gown should be removed in resident room with hand hygiene performed in Cohort.*
  - *Eye protection should be removed and disinfected for reuse after exiting the resident room*
  - *Respirators should be removed and placed into a paper bag after exiting the resident room for limited-reuse, and replaced by a mask.*

### Sources:

Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Healthcare Personnel During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/infection-control-recommendations.html>  
 Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/using-ppe.html>  
 Optimizing Supply of PPE and Other Equipment during Shortage <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/index.html>  
 Responding to Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Nursing Homes (see resident cohorting) <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/nursing-homes-responding.html>  
 Core Infection Prevention and Control Practices for Safe Healthcare Delivery in All Settings-Recommendations of the HICPAC  
<https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/recommendations/core-practices.html>