

Contingency Standards of Care for COVID-19

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR LONG TERM CARE / ASSISTED LIVING / OTHER NON-ACUTE CARE FACILITIES

What to wear if you are a:	Surgical Mask	N95 Respirator	Cloth Mask	Eye Protection	Gown	Gloves	Hand Hygiene	Comments
Resident negative for COVID-19			X				X	When out of room, wear mask. Resident masks when HCW within 6 feet, if able.
Resident positive or suspected of having COVID-19	X						X	Resident should stay in room as much as possible. Wear mask if needs to leave room or when HCW within 6 feet, if possible. If surgical mask shortages, they should be prioritized for HCP and then for residents with COVID-19 (as supply allows).
HCP with face-to-face contact with COVID negative residents	X			X			X	Plus Standard Precautions and any other posted Transmission-based Precautions Implement “extended use” universal surgical mask and eye protection
HCP with face-to-face contact with COVID positive residents	X	For aerosol generating procedures and ICU		X	X	X	X	Plus Standard Precautions and any other posted Transmission-based Precautions Implement “extended use” universal surgical mask and eye protection
Non-HCP with no face-to-face contact with residents: kitchen, EVS, office staff			X				X	Plus Standard Precautions Wear cloth source-control mask when in facility
Non-HCP with periodic face-to-face contact with residents: kitchen, EVS, office staff	X			X			X	Plus Standard Precautions If employees go into the resident care area, don surgical mask and eye protection for that period of time
Visitors to non-COVID-19 resident	If supplies allow		If surgical mask not available				X	
Visitors to COVID-19 resident	X			X	X	X	X	

All persons should practice social distancing of 6 feet or greater whenever possible

HCP = Health Care Provider

Standard Precautions = Wearing PPE as appropriate for contact with blood or body fluids

Extended Use = Wearing the same eye protection and surgical mask (or N95 respirator) for repeated close contact encounters with several different residents, without removing between patient encounters.

Aerosol Generating Procedures = see Aerosol-Generating Procedures and Patients with Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/hcp/aerosol.pdf>