

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Nursing Homes

PPE	WHAT/WHEN	WHO				
Mask/Respirator	No Quarantine/Isolation vs Quarantine/Isolation	Direct Care Staff	Non-direct Care Staff	Residents	Family/ Visitors	
Mask (cloth)	No Quarantine/Isolation: Based on transmission levels and facility circumstances, follow CMS guidance (QSO 20-39-NH Revised 9/23/2022) and facility policy/procedures. CDC (key word: Source Control) https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/infection-control-recommendations.html	NO	Either	Either	Either	
Mask (surgical)		YES				
N-95 (has been fit tested and mask is available)		NO	NO	NO	NO	
Mask (cloth)	Quarantine/Isolation: N-95 required for care of quarantined and COVID-19 positive residents if available and fit tested (a well fitted surgical mask or KN-95 is appropriate when N-95 are not available)	NO	YES	YES If surgical mask not available	Either *In Cases of	
Mask (surgical)		YES	YES	YES	Compassionate Care Consider Risk	
N-95 (has been fit tested and mask is available)		YES	NO	NO	NO	



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	No Quarantine/Isolation vs Quarantine/Isolation	Direct Care Staff	Non-direct Care Staff	Residents	Family/ Visitors		
Gown (single use/reusable)	No Quarantine/Isolation:	NO Except for standard precautions during care (e.g. aerosol- generating procedures)	NO	NO	NO		
	Quarantine/Isolation: Required for care of quarantined and COVID-19 positive residents prior to entering room	YES	YES	NO	*In Cases of Compassionate Care Consider Risk		
Disposable or Reusable Eye Protection (goggles/face shield)	No Quarantine/Isolation:	NO Except for standard precautions during care (e.g. aerosol- generating procedures)	NO	NO	NO		
	Quarantine/Isolation: Required for care of quarantined and COVID-19 positive residents prior to entering room;	YES	YES	NO	*In Cases of Compassionate Care Consider Risk		
Gloves	No Quarantine/Isolation:	NO Except per standard precautions with appropriate hand hygiene	NO	NO	NO		
	Quarantine/Isolation: Required for care of quarantined and COVID-19 positive residents prior to entering room and using appropriate hand hygiene	YES	YES	NO	*In Cases of Compassionate Care Consider Risk		
For individualized concerns consult your IP and/or contact Long Term Care							