

# AHS IPC Recommendations

## PPE Table for COVID-19 Assessment Centres & ERs with Pre-Triage

1. This document provides guidance and recommendations for PPE. Each space and flow is different. Contact IPC to discuss scenarios specific to your site.
2. Note that gloves do not replace the need for hand hygiene. Instead of wearing gloves, [performing hand hygiene](#) frequently is recommended.
3. Gloves cannot be cleaned and become contaminated very quickly. Gloves should be used when handling disinfectants or before contact with body fluids.

*\*If glass partition separates staff from patients, no PPE is required by staff unless they will have physical contact with the patient.*

Staff Type Examples <i>AHS staff/Contracted staff/ Volunteers</i>	Tasks	Direct Patient Contact?	Within 2 meters of unmasked patient or contaminated space?	PPE Required*	When to Change	Notes
Staff NOT working within 2 meters of a patient	If staff are not interacting with patients or contaminated equipment/space, <b>no personal protective equipment (PPE) is required.</b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wayfinder / Greeter</li> <li>• Protective Services</li> <li>• Volunteers</li> </ul>	Wayfinding and directing patients to clean their hands and don procedure mask	No	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procedure mask</li> <li>• Eye protection</li> <li>• Gown</li> </ul>	Mask, eye protection and gown when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gloves not recommended</li> <li>• Perform hand hygiene frequently</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ILI criteria screeners</li> </ul>	Asking patients screening questions and directing them to assessment area	No	Possibly (if patient has not yet donned mask)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procedure mask</li> <li>• Eye protection</li> <li>• Gown</li> </ul>	Mask, eye protection and gown when wet/soiled and before breaks and at shift changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gloves not recommended</li> <li>• Perform hand hygiene frequently</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration clerks</li> </ul>	Giving patients registration materials and entering data	Yes, indirect contact	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procedure mask</li> <li>• Eye protection</li> <li>• Gown</li> </ul>	Mask, eye protection and gown when wet/soiled and before breaks and at shift changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gloves not recommended</li> <li>• Perform hand hygiene frequently</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nurses</li> <li>• NPs</li> <li>• Physicians</li> </ul>	Interviews, basic assessments (i.e., vital signs), NP swab collection	Yes, indirect and direct	Yes (during NP collection)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procedure mask</li> <li>• Eye protection</li> <li>• Gown</li> <li>• Gloves</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mask, eye protection when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift changes</li> <li>• Gown and gloves must be changed between each patient encounter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gown and gloves do not need to be changed between members of same family when presenting in a room or car.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housekeeper</li> <li>• Environmental Services</li> </ul>	Cleaning of assessment centre environment	No	Not applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procedure mask</li> <li>• Eye protection</li> <li>• Gown</li> <li>• Gloves</li> </ul>	Mask, eye protection and gown when wet/soiled and before breaks and shift changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes gloves frequently</li> </ul>

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