

COVID-19

COVID-19 Donning and Doffing PPE Guidance for Extended Mask and Eye Protection for Long-Term Care, Assisted Living, and Mental Health and Substance Use Facilities

These donning and doffing PPE procedures are interim guidance based on the Keeping You Informed Memo ([COVID-19 Extended Wear PPE in LTC and MHSU](#)). *Perform only absolutely necessary AGPs to reduce the need for N95 respirators. When performing AGPs, please refer to the [Aerosol Generating Procedures Standard Operating Procedure](#).*

- 1.**
- Health care providers (HCP) must perform hand hygiene to start
 - HCP will put on a surgical/procedure mask and eye-protection (goggles or face-shield) at the beginning of their shift on a LTC, AL, or MHSU Resident care unit
 - Clean hands



- 2.**
- Avoid touching eye-protection or surgical/procedure mask
 - Immediately clean your hands if mask or eye-protection is touched
 - If mask becomes damp/damaged/visibly soiled or is difficult to breath through, remove and discard mask, clean hands and apply a new mask



If resident is on **DROPLET PRECAUTIONS**, Follow Step 3-5.

- 3.**
- After cleaning hands, put on a long-sleeved gown
 - Put on gloves
 - Provide care as per routine protocols



- 4.**
- Prior to the immediate exit of the Resident room (a minimum of 2 meters from the Resident), remove gloves
 - Clean hands
 - Remove gown and discard in the regular garbage if disposable. If reusable, place it in the soiled linen hamper
 - Clean hands



- 5.**
- Remove and clean eye-protection equipment as per cleaning and disinfection instructions
 - Clean hands
 - Remove mask and discard in the regular garbage
 - If wearing an N95 Respirator, remove it outside of the resident room
 - Clean hands
 - Put on clean eye-protection and a new mask
 - Clean hands

