






**Personal Protective Equipment Definitions
Ventura County Medical Center and Santa Paula Hospital**

Picture	Description/Use
	<p>Medical, Surgical or Procedure Face Mask, Fluid Repellent, 3 Layers - multiple manufacturers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear while in the hospital/clinic settings when working in patient care area. Can be used for up to one day. Discard and replace if it becomes moist. Perform hand hygiene before and after touching mask. • Used for general patient care in Droplet Isolation. Discard and replace if it becomes moist. Perform hand hygiene before and after adjusting/removing mask.
	<p>Disposable gowns - multiple manufacturers</p> <p>Disposable gowns should be used for patients under Contact Isolation, and may be disposed of in regular trash bins in the patient's room. Don and doff gowns per guidelines on "Putting on PPE" and "Removing PPE" signs posted inside and outside patient rooms.</p>

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	<p>Head covers (bonnets) Not recommended when caring for COVID-19 patients per WHO and CDC guidelines. However, head covers are part of standard precautions in the operating room (OR). HCW may also choose to wear head covers to protect the hair and scalp from possible contamination when sprays are anticipated.</p> <p>If using in the operating room, or choosing to wear under other circumstances, HCW should doff in reverse order of donning (i.e. if head cover was put on after face shield was put on, head cover should be removed before face shield is removed. If head cover was put on before mask and face shield, head cover should be removed last).</p>
	<p>Non-disposable Face Shields: Used for protection of the facial area and associated mucous membranes (eyes, nose, mouth) from splashes, sprays, and splatter of body fluids. Should be used for eye protection and to protect masks from contamination when engaged in general patient care for patients in Enhanced Respiratory Isolation and Airborne Isolation.</p> <p>Clean with available sani-wipes (allowing for appropriate dwell time) or hospital-approved soap and water before reuse.</p>
	<p>Shoe covers: Not recommended when caring for COVID-19 patients per WHO and CDC guidelines. However, shoe covers are part of standard precautions in the operating room (OR). HCW may choose to wear shoe covers to provide a barrier against contact with a contaminated environment.</p> <p>If choosing to wear shoe covers, HCW should doff shoe covers prior to doffing gown and gloves in patient room (see OR video). Wear single use per patient, dispose in regular trash in the patient's room.</p>

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VCMC/SPH N95 Mask Distribution – Masks will be distributed in order as listed, based on availability. If you have other hospital approved masks, please notify Central Supply.

- N95 masks are to be used by staff providing direct patient care only
- Do not use masks from outside VCMC/SPH unless you have been fit tested with that mask
- Fit Test as needed; call Respiratory Therapy

3M™ 1860 (Size: Small and Regular)





3M™ Aura 1870



- Use N95 for care of patients in **Enhanced Respiratory Isolation** and **Airborne Isolation**. Cover with face shield.
- Wear one N95 respirator for up to **five uses or 8 consecutive hours in a single shift**.
- Make sure to use hand hygiene before and after putting on and taking off a reused N95
- N95s that become moist from respiration can be dried out in a brown paper bag and reused.
- If at any point the respirator becomes soiled, the fit check demonstrates air flow between mask and face, or the mask becomes difficult to breathe through, the N95 should be disposed of in N95 collection bin found on each unit.
- To minimize potential cross-contamination, store respirators (one per brown paper bag while in use), with your name on the bag, in a designated location (see manager/per unit). Do not crush. Storage containers should be disposed of if they get wet or soiled. See **“Guidelines for Conservation of PPE”**.

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3M™ 6800 Full Face Reusable Respirator	
	<p>Reusable Respirator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be used if N95 not available, or if HCW has failed fit testing for available N95. • Use respirator for care of patients in Enhanced Respiratory Isolation and Airborne Isolation (and when conducting aerosol-generating procedures for COVID-19 suspect or positive patients, e.g. intubation, extubation, bronchoscopy, EGD/ERCP, see full list). • Clean with available sani-wipes (allowing for appropriate dwell time). • Store on “dry hooks” in clean patient care area, or at your workstation.
Picture	Description/Use
Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR)	
	<p>PAPR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be used if N95 not available, or if HCW has failed fit testing for available N95. • Use respirator for care of patients in Enhanced Respiratory Isolation and Airborne Isolation (and when conducting aerosol-generating procedures for COVID-19 suspect or positive patients, e.g. intubation, extubation, bronchoscopy, EGD/ERCP, see full list). • Clean with available sani-wipes (allowing for appropriate dwell time). • Store on “dry hooks” in clean patient care area, or at your work station.