

## Personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements for long-term care facility staff during COVID-19

	Face mask*	Respirator/N95*	Gloves	Eye protection	Gown
<b>Residents with confirmed/suspected COVID-19 (including any resident with symptoms)</b>					
Direct physical care		✓	✓	✓	✓
Close proximity to resident(s)		✓	✓	✓	✓
Resident room, distanced		✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>COVID-19 is within the facility OR during high community transmission</b>					
Resident rooms	✓			•	
Resident common areas	✓			•	
Employee only areas	✓			•	
Wear for 10 days after close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case	✓			•	
<b>Recommendations by procedure</b>					
COVID-19 testing		✓	✓	✓	✓
Aerosol generating procedures (suctioning, nebulizer, CPAP, etc.)			•		

- ✓ = PPE is recommended
- = PPE should be considered

**Note:** Individuals should always be allowed to wear a mask based on personal preference, even if not required by facility.

\*An N95 or higher is considered respirator protection provided it has been fit-tested and staff are trained regarding proper use and seal check. Face mask should be a well-fitting surgical mask, KN95, or other medical-grade mask. Cloth masks are generally not recommended for facility staff unless worn over a disposable mask to enhance fit.

**Close contact:** A cumulative time period of 15 minutes or more in a 24-hour period within 6 feet of a person with confirmed COVID-19 infection or any unprotected direct contact with infectious secretions or excretions. Any duration should be considered prolonged if exposure occurred during an aerosol-generating procedure.

Community transmission rates can be found [here](#).

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