COVID-19 - Clinical Recommendations for Use of PPE (Mask vs Respirator)

**Procedure / Surgical Mask**

- **DO**
  - Follow instructions for proper donning and doffing at all times
  - Apply procedure / surgical mask on patient & accompanying persons
  - Properly dispose after use - Remember masks are one-time use only

- **DO NOT**
  - **DO NOT USE** for aerosol-generating medical procedures (AGMPs)

**N95 Respirator**

- **DO**
  - Complete a point of care risk assessment before every patient interaction
  - Consider the ongoing need for appropriate use and conservation of PPE
  - Wear for AGMPs – aerosol-generating medical procedures
  - Ensure proper fit – only wear the make, model and size for which you have been fit-tested
  - Follow instructions for proper donning and doffing at all times
  - Be clean shaven
  - Remove eye glasses to apply; reapply eye glasses once N95 is on
  - Properly dispose after use – Remember respirators are one-time use only

- **DO NOT**
  - **DO NOT** enter a contaminated area if you cannot achieve a proper seal

Ensure PPE supplies are being used as per clinical recommendations. IP&C or Public Health may update guidance as new recommendations are developed. Visit www.home.sharedhealthmb.ca/coronavirus-updates/ for the latest information on COVID-19.