Acute Care – Critical Care
COVID-19 Definitions

COVID-19 Positive patients, residents or clients are those who have been tested and have a positive test result and who have not been deemed “recovered” by Public Health or by Infectious Disease (if an inpatient).

COVID-19 Suspect patients, Residents and/or Clients are those who meet the criteria for COVID-19 testing AND who have been swabbed AND whose test result is pending.

COVID-19 Non-Suspect patients, residents or clients are those who do not meet the criteria for testing and/or those who have been tested and their results are negative and/or those who have been tested and their results are positive but they have been deemed “recovered” by Public Health, or by Infectious Disease (if an inpatient).
## PPE – Critical Care (ICU/CCU) – Patient Rooms

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| ICU/CCU Patient Rooms | Direct patient care | Procedure mask  
Eye protection  
Gloves as per routine practices  
Extended use of *same mask* for repeated interactions with multiple patients for *maximum of one complete shift*:  
**Change mask IF** it becomes wet, damaged, or soiled  
Eye protection to be used throughout the shift with appropriate cleaning and disinfecting protocols. Wherever possible, retain face shields, lenses and/or frames and disinfect eye protection at the end of the shift.  
**Gowns** are to be used as per routine practices (e.g. MRSA, Scabies, blood or body fluid contact or excessive soiling) AND in situations requiring additional precautions  
Gloves are not required for every patient interaction. Gloves should only be applied as per routine practices (e.g. MRSA, Scabies, blood or body fluid contact or excessive soiling)  
Hand Hygiene before/after donning/doffing gloves or contact with patient or patient environment without gloves | Extended use of *same mask, eye protection without removal* for repeated interactions with multiple patients for *maximum of one complete shift*  
**Change mask** if it becomes wet, damaged, soiled  
Eye protection to be used throughout the shift with appropriate cleaning and disinfecting protocols. Wherever possible, retain face shields, lenses and/or frames and disinfect eye protection at the end of the shift.  
**Gowns** are to be used as per routine practices (e.g. MRSA, Scabies, blood or body fluid contact or excessive soiling) AND in situations requiring additional precautions AND with COVID-19 positive and/or suspect residents. Extended use of gowns between COVID-19 positive patients.  
With COVID-19 Suspect patients/residents **Gloves** must be applied and changed per Routine Practices and Additional Precautions  
With COVID-19 Positive patients/residents, extend use of same gloves, changing only after direct patient contact and/or if soiled or damaged  
Hand Hygiene before/after donning/doffing gloves or contact with patient or patient environment without gloves |
| Aerosol-generating procedures: | As per Shared Health Recommendations for intubation and other aerosol generating medical procedures. | As per Shared Health Recommendations for intubation and other aerosol generating medical procedures. |

*April 23, 2020 Provincial Requirements for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)*