In Home Care/Services

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## PPE – In Home Care/Services

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| Home Care visit      | Providing Direct Client Care | Procedure mask, Eye protection, Gloves, Gowns | **Masks**  
  • A mask will be worn for all client visits  
  • Do not remove your mask but wear between multiple client visits (either apartment suites or home)  
  • Remove and discard your mask for breaks and at the end of shift  
  • Put on new mask when returning to work  
  • Change mask if it becomes wet, damaged or soiled  
  If a mask is removed from the face, it must be discarded and a new one used |
| Public Health        |                           |                                 | **Eye Shields**  
  • Eye shields will be worn for all client visits  
  • A set of eye shields should be worn for multiple visits  
  • Remove for breaks, at the end of shifts and while driving  
  • Where possible, disinfect eye protection at the end of shift, otherwise discard  
  • Store frame in a way to prevent contamination (e.g. in a Ziploc bag)  
  • Put on eye shields before entering a home |
| Families First       |                           |                                 | **Gloves**  
  • Gloves are to be worn as per routine practice AND if a client or a member of the household has COVID-19, is suspected of COVID-19 or has cold or flu symptoms  
  • Gloves must not be worn outside of the client’s home, this increases the risk of transmission  
| Community Mental Health |                           |                                 | **Gowns**  
  • Gowns are to be worn in the home if a client or a member of the household has COVID-19, is suspected of COVID-19 or has cold or flu symptoms  
  • Gowns must be removed when leaving the home  
  • Gowns are not to be reused between clients |
| Family Services      |                           |                                 | **Wear gloves as per routine practice (point of care risk assessment) AND as directed in specific instructions** |

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