



**STANDARD WORK FOR:**

**EXTENDED USE of Personal Protective Equipment**

Used during times of high demand and supply shortages.

Utilized during Universal Masking and when caring for a designated population of cohorted patients , such as those with Novel Respiratory Infection (NRI) Precautions, or when performing care of patients with respiratory illness in the outpatient setting or testing for COVID-19 in the alternative care sites.

**POSITION:** All staff required to wear PPE, either due to Precautions or Universal Masking Protocols

**ITEMS REQUIRED FOR PROCESS:**

- N95 Respirators/PAPRS and/or Procedure Masks
- Eye protection/Face Shields

STANDARD PROCESS STEP:	DESCRIPTOR – details, specifications of the step	NOTES: tips, tricks, exceptions, pictures, references...
1A. Use N95 respirators when caring for patients on inpatient NRI or Airborne precautions. 1B. Use procedure masks for Universal masking, non-direct patient care entry into an inpatient NRI room, at alternative testing sites, and in outpatient practices.	Wash hands prior to donning and, for N95 respirators, performing fit check to ensure proper seal. Wash hands after re-donning the respirator or mask to prevent any self- or cross-contamination. Do not allow masks to dangle off of the face. Do not touch the mask/respirator when on your face.	
2. If involved in direct patient care, cover with a face shield to prevent the N95/mask from droplet exposure.	Novel Respiratory Infection Precautions requires eye protection. Face shields protect the eyes and the exterior of the respirator/mask when worn in a patient’s room with respiratory symptoms. Remove face shields by strap only, clean and re-use face shields per SOP for their re-use.	This step is recommended to be performed while in the patient’s room to prevent taking contamination out in to the hallway if possible.
3. Discard	After your shift has ended or if they become soiled, damaged, or it becomes difficult to breathe through or (with N95s) you can no longer get a good seal during a fit check.	
4. Wash your hands		

