

GW MFA Ambulatory Personal Protective Equipment Requirements

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		Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	
		Patient	Provider and Staff
Ambulatory Visit	Standard patient encounter	Face covering or surgical face mask	Surgical face mask
	Examination, diagnostic test, procedure where close proximity to head/neck region for >5 minutes expected	Face covering or surgical face mask (except if need to lower mask for medical reasons)	Surgical face mask and eye shield OR N95, eye shield, gown and gloves based on the exam, test or procedure specifics, and if patient will need to lower face covering
	Examination, diagnostic test, procedure where exposure to secretions expected OR aerosolization expected	Face covering or surgical face mask (except if need to lower mask for medical reasons)	N95, eye shield, gown and gloves
	Examination, diagnostic test, procedure with a patient who is COVID-19+ or under investigation (including performing COVID-19 testing)	Face covering or surgical face mask (except if need to lower mask for medical reasons)	N95, eye shield, gown and gloves

Protective equipment is available in your clinic building or through your clinic manager. To ensure that we have a sufficient supply of PPE both now and in the future, please continue to be good stewards of these resources.

- Surgical masks – Can be re-worn and replaced when either soiled or deformed, or as frequently as daily
- N95 masks – Can be re-worn up to 5 times and replaced when either soiled or deformed, or as frequently as daily. When not using your N95 mask between patients, store the mask in your clean, DAILY brown paper bag with your name on it:
 - Perform hand hygiene
 - Remove the mask without touching the front
 - Place into your DAILY brown paper bag with the front down
 - Perform hand hygiene again

Note: if performing nebulization procedure and/or airway manipulation, do not reuse your N95 mask but discard it