

Practice Update

For all HCPs and Staff

COVID-19: PPE Use - Application of PPE Prioritization Framework

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What's New?	The COVID-19: Application of PPE Prioritization Framework Policy has been revised.
Why the Change?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the dual goals of protecting staff and protecting PPE supply. • Clarify PPE use differences for HCPs and staff who provide Direct Patient Care, those who provide no Direct Patient Care and those who enter Patient Environment but perform no Direct Patient Care • Provide clear direction on Point of Care Risk Assessment for patient care area and each patient interaction to guide PPE use and when to change PPE.
How does this affect my practice?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the revised policy on ePOPS COVID-19: PPE Use - Application Of PPE Emergency Prioritization Policy or access the updated policy on ePOPS under the Routine and Additional Precautions section and refer to the Personal Protective Equipment resources. • Follow all PPE use and limiting use requirements as directed for your role.
How do I find out more?	<p>Talk to your Infection Control Practitioner, Educator, CRN, Senior Practice Leaders, Professional Practice Leader or other clinical leaders.</p> <p>See the front page of ePOPS for COVID-19 Resources and check regularly for updates and added resources. For access to all Policy & Procedure documents search ePOPS</p>
Who do I contact for further information?	<p>Contact your area clinical leaders, educators or professional practice leaders for more support</p> <p>Page the Infection Control Practitioner at: Local 2161 or pager 41-02411 Monday to Friday 0800-1600 or IPACS@cw.bc.ca After Hours page the Infection Control Officer through paging 2161</p>