

**Table 2: Recommended PPE for primary, outpatient and community care by setting**

		<b>Recommended PPE</b>						
<b>Setting</b>	<b>Context</b>	Disposable Gloves	Disposable Plastic Apron	Disposable fluid- repellent coverall/ gown	Surgical mask	Fluid- resistant (Type IIR) surgical mask	Filtering face piece class 2 or 3 or N95 respirator	Eye protection
Any setting	Performing an aerosol generating procedure <sup>1</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>
Primary care, ambulatory care, and other nonemergency outpatient and other clinical settings e.g. optometry	Direct patient care - suspected/ confirmed case(s)	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✓ single/ sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✗	risk assess single use <sup>4</sup>
	Direct patient care - NOT suspected/ confirmed case(s) <sup>5</sup>	risk assess single use <sup>2</sup>	risk assess single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	risk assess single/ sessional use <sup>2, 3</sup>	✗	✗
	Working in reception/ communal area containing suspected/ confirmed case(s)- and unable to maintain 2m social distance <sup>6</sup>	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓ sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✗	✗

Individuals own home/ usual place of residence	Direct care to any member of the household where any member of the household is suspected or confirmed case <sup>5</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	risk assess single use <sup>4</sup>
	Care or visit to individuals in the extremely vulnerable group or where a member of the household is within the extremely vulnerable group undergoing shielding	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✗
Community-care home, mental health and other overnight care facilities e.g. learning disability, hospices, prison healthcare	Facility with suspected or confirmed case (s) AND direct resident care	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✓ sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✗	risk assess single use <sup>4</sup>
	Facility with suspected/ confirmed cases and NO direct resident care	✗	✗	✗	✗	risk assess sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✗	✗
Any setting	Collection of nasopharyngeal swab(s)	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single or sessional use <sup>2,3</sup>	✗	✗	✓ single or sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✗	✓ single or sessional use <sup>3</sup>
Ambulance staff/ paramedic/ first responders	Performing an aerosol generating procedure e.g. intubation, suctioning <sup>5</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>
	Direct patient care -suspected/ confirmed case(s)	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	✗	✓ single use <sup>2</sup>	✗	risk assess single use <sup>4</sup>
	Direct patient care -NOT suspected/ confirmed case(s) <sup>5</sup>	risk assess single use <sup>4</sup>	risk assess single use <sup>4</sup>	✗	✗	risk assess single or	✗	✗

						sessional use <sup>3</sup>			
	Conveying suspected/ confirmed case(s) in vehicle with a bulkhead, no anticipated direct care <sup>7</sup>	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
	Conveying suspected/ confirmed case(s) in vehicle without a bulkhead, no direct patient care and within 2m <sup>7</sup>	✘	✘	✘	✘	single or sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✘	✘	✘
Pharmacy	Working in an area containing suspected/ confirmed case(s)- no direct individual care and unable to maintain 2m social distance <sup>6</sup>	✘	✘	✘	✘	risk assess sessional use <sup>3</sup>	✘	✘	✘
	No direct individual care- suspected/ confirmed case(s) and able to maintain social distancing	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘

1. The full list of aerosol generating procedures (AGPs) is within the IPC guidance. Note: nebulisations, chest compressions and defibrillation are not considered AGPs; first responders can commence chest compressions and defibrillation without the need for AGP PPE.
2. Single use refers to disposal of PPE after each patient and/or following completion of a procedure or task/ session; disposal after each patient contact as per Standard Infection Control Precautions (SICPs)
3. A single session refers to a period of time where a health or social care worker is undertaking duties in a specific care setting/ exposure environment e.g. a GP conducting a morning surgery. A session ends when the health or social care worker leaves the care setting/ exposure environment. Sessional use should always be risk assessed and considered where there are high rates of community cases. PPE should be disposed of after each session or earlier if damaged, soiled, uncomfortable etc
4. Risk assessed single use refers to utilising PPE when there is an anticipated /likely risk of contamination with splashes, droplets or blood or body fluids.
5. Initial risk assessment should take place by phone prior to entering the premises or at 2m social distance on entering; where the health or social care worker assesses that an individual is symptomatic with suspected /confirmed cases appropriate PPE should be put on prior to providing care
6. Non clinical staff should maintain 2m social distancing, through marking out a controlled distance; sessional use should always be risk assessed and considered where there are high rates of community cases
7. Where possible the patient/ individual should wear a surgical mask