

In Home Care/Services

April 4, 2020 Provincial Requirements for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
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PPE – In Home Care/Services

Areas Included	Activity	Type of PPE	Specific Instructions
<p>Home Care visit Public Health Families First Community Mental Health Family Services</p>	<p>Providing Direct Client Care</p>	<p>Procedure mask Eye protection Gloves Gowns</p>	<p>Masks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>Eye Shields</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye shields will be worn for all client visits • A set of eye shields should be worn for multiple client visits • Remove for breaks, at the end of shifts and while driving • After removing eye shields, discard lens and disinfect frame • Store frame in a way to prevent contamination (e.g. in a Ziploc bag) • Place new lens on frame and put on eye shields before entering a home <p>Gloves</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloves 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 • In all homes gloves must be worn if you need them for a task • Disposable gloves must never be reused or washed • Gloves must be changed between each task that requires gloves. Hand Hygiene must be done before putting on gloves AND after removing them • Gloves must be changed when they become visibly soiled • Use gloves only for the task that you need them for. • Gloves do not replace the need for hand hygiene • Gloves must not be worn outside of the client's home, this increases the risk of transmission <p>Gowns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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

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