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| **C:\Users\erin.mckee\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Outlook\5VZTCCVI\Sun_Health_Employee_Services-color.jpg**  **POLICY: Guidelines for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) during COVID-19** | | | | | | | |
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**GUIDELINES FOR LEVEL OF PPE USE DURING COVID-19 AS OF 5.11.20**

Sun Health will ensure that all team members are knowledgeable about, and adhere to, all CMS and CDC guidance related to infection control and the proper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE); particularly the use of masks when caring for COVID-19 patients.

Team members will be instructed in the appropriate PPE that should be used in the following situations:

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| **RESIDENT STATUS** | **BUILDING** | **TEAM MEMBER PPE REQUIREMENT** |
| COVID-19 Positive (tested) | IL/AL/SNF | Full PPE (face shield, N95 mask, gloves, gowns) |
| COVID-19 Tested or showing symptoms (awaiting results) OR any new admissions from the hospital | SNF | Full PPE (face shield, N95 mask, gloves, gowns) |
| COVID-19 Tested (awaiting results | IL/AL | If close proximity (within 6 feet) of patient full PPE; otherwise N95 mask and gloves |
| Anyone not presumed COVID -19 positive | SNF | Surgical mask and gloves for anyone directly interacting with residents; all others a mask |
| COVID-19 Suspected (returning from hot spot) | IL/AL | If close proximity (within 6 feet) of patient surgical mask and gloves; otherwise cloth masks |
| Asymptomatic | IL/AL | Cloth/comfort mask and gloves |

To ensure Sun Health team members have the proper PPE, Sun Health will follow the CDC guidelines for the extended use of N95 masks. As of the date of this memo, this will include issuing multiple N95 masks to the staff working directly with COVID-19 residents who have tested positive, are awaiting test results, or are showing positive symptoms of COVID-19. The number of masks per team member will depend on many factors, including how long and how many shifts the team member is expected to work, as well as the number of days between shifts.

Team members can reach out to their department leaders below to get the number of masks and receive training on proper storage techniques, disinfecting processes, etc.

***Related Policies: Sun Health Pandemic Policies and Emergency Preparedness Plans; Guidelines for Appropriate Level of PPE (this will be updated according to Sun Health Leadership as deemed necessary for the safety of team members and residents).***