



Universal Eye Protection - Goggles

Purpose: Goggles are intended to limit risk of staff exposure to all patients who have any type of illness or infections including persons under investigation for COVID-19 and/or COVID-19 positive patient's. This is the newest in a series of precautions we have taken to help limit healthcare workers' possible exposure to COVID-19. The new policy was recommended by the Infection Control workgroup as an added level of protection for staff to prevent exposure to patients who are asymptomatic but later are determined to be COVID-19 positive

FOR Princeton Medical Center

Donning & Doffing of goggles:

- Direct care staff should ensure that their goggles are donned at all times when caring for patients.
- As long as you do not touch your goggles during the course of your shift you do not need to disinfect your goggles unless you are interacting with a patient who has been identified as a person under investigation and/or a COVID + patient.



For persons under investigation and/or COVID + patient interaction:

- Prior to exiting patient room remove dirty gloves and perform hand hygiene
- After exiting patient room, don a pair of clean gloves
- Remove goggles from face
- Using AF3 wipes (gray top), wipe the inside of the goggles followed by the outside of the goggles
- Allow the goggles to air dry (average dry time for AF3 wipes is 3minutes)
- Remove dirty gloves once goggles have been cleaned and perform hand hygiene
- Place goggles in a labeled (your name and unit) paper bag for future use

Storage of Goggles

Goggles should be stored in a brown paper bag. DO NOT place goggles in the same bag as your surgical mask. Take your bagged goggles home with you at the end of your shift or leave them in your locker.

Replacement of goggles

- Goggles will be reused until the integrity of the goggles is compromised i.e. crack in lens, breaks that prevent goggles from being worn properly
- Contact your manager, director or screener for replacement goggles as needed