



How to work safely **Taking off personal protective** equipment (PPE)

PPE should be removed in an order that minimises the risk of self-contamination

· Gloves and apron should be taken off at the end of the task and disposed of into a bin (liner) within the resident/ client's place of care (room)

 Hand hygiene is important to protect you and your clients/ residents. At each step asking you to "clean your hands", please follow this: Wash hands and wrists to elbows thoroughly with water and soap, or sanitiser if water and soap is not available

Remove gloves. Grasp the outside of glove with the opposite gloved hand: peel off.

Hold the removed glove in the remaining gloved hand.

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Step 1: facemask.

your facemask if

person

At a designated doffing

station (eq sluice/room).

remove and dispose of

a. you were caring for a suspected or confirmed infectious (COVID)

b, the mask is soiled c. you are taking a break



Step 2: do not touch the front of the mask but remove by the ear loops/ties

Step 3: discard directly into a bin (liner)

When 2m from the client, carefully remove

eye protection by the sidearms and

discard or disinfect for next use.

Wear gloves to disinfect if

symptomatic or positive

COVID resident/client.

soiled or after contact with a



Step 4: clean hands and wrists to elbows thoroughly with water and soap, or sanitiser if water and soap is not available



Step 5: don't forget to put on a clean facemask before contact within 2m of



anyone else



Slide the fingers of the un-gloved hand under the remaining glove at

the wrist. Peel the remaining glove off over the first glove and discard.



Apron. Unfasten or break apron ties at the back of the neck and let the apron fold down on itself.

Break waist ties at the back and fold apron in on itself - do not touch the outside - this will

be contaminated. Discard into a bin or bin liner before leaving the room.



Clean hands and

wrists to elbows

thoroughly with

water and soap,

and soap is not

available

or sanitiser if water

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