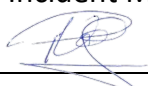


Guidance Document for COVID-19



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<i>This document is intended to provide guidance to staff/professional staff during COVID-19</i>	

1. PURPOSE

To clarify expectations during COVID-19, related to *updated PPE guidelines for eye protection*.

2. GUIDELINES (e.g. background, definitions, procedure, etc.)

With the low number of COVID-19 positive cases in the community and in our Hospital, rising vaccination numbers, and based on recently updated Ministry of Health guidelines, protective eyewear will now only need to be worn in clinical areas (i.e patient rooms, inpatient units, outpatient care areas, transporting patients) or when providing patient care in a non-clinical area within 2 metres.

Eye Protection in each hospital COVID-19 Response Level:

1. Response Level Green:
 - no mandatory eyewear in non-clinical spaces unless you are providing direct patient care
2. Response Level Yellow:
 - transition to mandatory eyewear in non-clinical areas
3. Response Level Orange, Red and Grey:
 - resume mandatory eyewear in all areas (with the exception of; being in an office alone or while consuming food or beverage in a designated space).

3. RELATED POLICIES, PRACTICES AND/OR LEGISLATIONS

N/A

4. REFERENCES

1. *Ministry of Health Guidelines for Health Facilities?*