

### Levels of Masking Consistent with a Resource-Constrained Supply Chain in Setting of COVID-19

Mask Type	Primary Clinical Scenario	Relevant workforce/provider type	Lead for Distribution of Available Stock
<b>N95s</b>	For use by HCW engaged in direct patient care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During aerosol-generating procedures<sup>1</sup> in any patient who is COVID-positive, PUI, or field-based unknown COVID-status</li> <li>• Laboratory workers handling potential COVID samples</li> <li>• In care of patients with communicable diseases known to be airborne (e.g., tuberculosis, measles)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospital-based staff</li> <li>• Skilled nursing facilities</li> <li>• EMS providers</li> <li>• DPH tuberculosis clinics</li> <li>• CCALAC/FQHC<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Laboratory staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMS Agency</li> </ul>
<b>Surgical mask</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct contact (i.e., not allowing for 6 feet according to social distancing guidelines) with individuals who are documented COVID-positive, PUI, or who have symptoms consistent with COVID<sup>3</sup></li> <li>• Sanitation of space occupied by COVID-positive and/or COVID-suspects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All health care providers (hospitals, SNF, LTC, hospice, home health, EMS, etc.)</li> <li>• Social services staff (e.g., CSWs)</li> <li>• Shelter-based staff</li> <li>• Law enforcement</li> <li>• Sanitation/environmental services workforce</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMS Agency for health care providers</li> <li>• OEM/DPH for all others</li> </ul>
<b>Non-medical grade face covering</b>	Recommended use of face-covering (covering mouth and nose) for individuals who have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potential contact with individuals who are documented COVID-positive, PUI, or who have symptoms consistent with COVID but able to maintain 6 feet of separation</li> <li>• Face-to-face contact with non-COVID suspects, asymptomatic individuals, and the general public</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OEM</li> </ul>

**HCW:** Health Care Workforce. Includes any health worker and/or workers with patient contact at a healthcare facility e (e.g., physician, NP/PA, RN, LVN, nursing assistant, home health aide, personal attendants, EMT/paramedic, respiratory/occupational therapist, public health worker, lab technicians)

**PUI:** Person Under Investigation (for COVID disease)

**Notes:**

Individuals using non-medical grade face-coverings should remain vigilant about practicing physical distancing (remaining 6 feet apart from others whenever possible) and hand washing. Although these face-coverings are recommended, they should not be considered substitutes for physical distancing and hand washing.

<sup>1</sup> Aerosol-generating procedures: Intubations, bronchoscopy, high-flow nasal canula (40+ LPM), Bilevel or Continuous Positive Airway Pressure, sputum induction, nebulized treatments, CPR

<sup>2</sup> Allocation for nebulized treatments only

<sup>3</sup> Symptoms of COVID include fever, shortness of breath, or cough, without alternative known cause.