**PPE - Educational Setting**

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Is the pupil or individual showing signs of COVID-191.

NO

YES

Does the pupil’s care routinely already involve the use of PPE due to their intimate care needs?

YES

NO

Follow [**Implementing protective measures guidance**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-and-childcare-settings/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-and-childcare-settings). PPE not needed.

Is contact with them necessary?

NO

No PPE required

YES

**PPE required:**

PPE you regularly use e.g. gloves and aprons.

Can they be immediately sent home and advised to follow the [staying at home](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance) guidance?

YES

Send home. PPE not recommended.

NO

**Key Principles:**

* Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds (or use alcohol gel that is 60% or above if hand washing facilities are not available) before and after every contact and every use of PPE.
* PPE use in an educational setting is likely to be an extremely rare event, and therefore should be single use only.
* PPE only provides protection if used appropriately - make sure you know how to put on and take off PPE safely. instructions found [here.](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-personal-protective-equipment-use-for-non-aerosol-generating-procedures)
* Used PPE and any other waste generated from the care of a possible or confirmed COVID-19 case should be disposed of in double sealed plastic waste bags, stored in a secure place for 72 hours, then put into normal waste collection service. PPE used when in contact with non-symptomatic pupils should be disposed of immediately in your clinical waste provisions.

**Isolate** pupil. Separate toilet if possible (thorough cleaning before it is used by anyone else).

*And if close contact required before they can go home later in the day then in the meantime:*

**PPE required:**

Disposable gloves  
Disposable apron  
Fluid-repellent surgical mask  
Face/eye protection if needed 2

**Key:**  
1. A possible or confirmed COVID-19 case is someone who has developed a new continuous cough and/or high temperature in the last 7 days, even if those symptoms have now disappeared, OR a household contact of someone who developed those symptoms in the last 14 days, regardless of how they are feeling.  
2. The need for eye protection should be assessed based on the type of care being administered and the characteristics of the person being cared for. Procedures which have the potential to generate splashes of bodily fluids require eye protection can be found here https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-infection-prevention-and-control