

EMS

MASK GUIDANCE

All patients and providers must be masked, regardless of the patient complaint or problem. This guide is dependent on your current inventory. This will be agency driven.

Priority 1

- N95's are the preferred mask for EMS responders.
 - N95's should be re-used in accordance with the re-use guide
 - If N95 supplies are limited, these mask should be saved for aerosol generating procedures
 - Only surgical mask should be placed on patients
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Priority 2

- Fluid resistant surgical mask may be worn by providers if aerosol generating procedures are not done
 - Fluid resistant surgical mask may be re-used in accordance with the re-use guide
 - Fluid resistant surgical mask may be used an alternative for suspected COVID-19 cases if N95 inventory is limited.
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Priority 3

- If surgical mask and N95 inventory is limited, cloth mask be used by providers on patients with no signs and symptoms of COVID-19.
- Cloth mask should NOT be used by providers on patients with suspected COVID-19 or when aerosol generating procedures are being done.
- Cloth mask may be washed and re-used