



Appropriate Procedure Mask Wear

Correct and incorrect procedure mask use

In order to prevent self-contamination while wearing a procedure/surgical mask, it is important that you ensure you are wearing it properly.

NOTE: Double masking (i.e. cloth mask under procedure mask) is not recommended. Refer to this [PPE bulletin](#) for tips on maintaining skin integrity and information about the accommodations process.

Correct procedure mask use:

- Ensure the coloured side of the mask is facing out
- Secure the elastics around your ears. If using ear protectors, follow proper use guidelines in the [Ear Protector Rapid Update](#).
- Fit the moldable band to the nose bridge. Fit snugly to your face and below chin
- Do not touch mask once in position
- If the mask becomes soiled or damp, replace with a new one.



Incorrect procedure mask use:

- Do not tuck the procedure mask under your chin, place on top of your head, or hang it by one ear.
- Do not let your nose stick out of the top of the mask.
- Do not reuse single-use masks

