This Current Awareness Bulletin is produced by the Yeovil Academy Library to provide staff with a range of infection control-related resources with regard to COVID-19. It includes recently published guidelines that are regularly updated by the respective websites.

**Coronavirus (COVID-19): Infection control and prevention measures**

27 March 2020

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This Special Collection has been created in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and is regularly updated. It aims to ensure immediate access to systematic reviews most directly relevant to the prevention of infection. It includes reviews that are relevant to the *WHO interim guidance*, as well as other potentially relevant reviews from three Cochrane Networks: *Cochrane Public Health and Health Systems; Cochrane Musculoskeletal, Oral, Skin and Sensory;* and *Cochrane Acute and Emergency Care*, and also draws on the knowledge of Cochrane groups in affected regions. Many reviews in this collection have associated *Cochrane Clinical Answers* (CCAs), with links provided.

**Infection control**

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Environmental decontamination, Clinical waste & Aerosol generating procedures.

**Infection prevention and control guidance**
PHE guidance on infection prevention and control for COVID-19.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**
Essential PPE information, how to wear and dispose of PPE.

**Updates and guidance on PPE**
Everything that you need to know on the supply and use of PPE.
Environmental decontamination
Cleaning your clinic, what to clean?

Clinical waste
Managing clinical waste after care of patients with Coronavirus (Covid-19).

Aerosol generating procedures
Definition of an aerosol generating procedure (AGP), PPE.

Hand washing
Video showing good hand washing technique.

Putting on (donning) Personal Protective Equipment

Removal of (doffing) Personal Protective Equipment

Catch it, Bin it, Kill it

COVID-19: infection prevention and control
Published 10 January 2020
Last updated 27 March 2020 — see all updates
From:
Public Health England

Infection prevention and control guidance for pandemic coronavirus
PDF, 941KB, 52 pages

COVID-19: when to use a surgical face mask or FFP3 respirator
PDF, 126KB, 1 page

This guidance outlines infection control procedures for healthcare providers assessing possible cases of COVID-19. It should be used in conjunction with local policies.

Refer to personal protective equipment use for aerosol generating procedures
Refer to personal protective equipment use for non-aerosol generating procedures
Published 10 January 2020
Last updated 27 March 2020
Clinical guidance for managing COVID-19
All nursing and midwifery staff are fundamental to informing the public and reassuring them about the COVID-19 outbreak.

This page provides RCN members across the health and social care workforce, including nursing support workers and students, with clinical information and key resources to support their understanding of and help them with management of COVID-19.

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) technical guidance: Infection prevention and control / WASH

Infection prevention and control during health care when novel coronavirus (nCoV) infection is suspected
This is the first edition of guidance on infection prevention and control (IPC) strategies for use when infection with a novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) is suspected. It has been adapted from WHO’s Infection prevention and control during health care for probable or confirmed cases of Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) infection, based on current knowledge of the situation in China and other countries where cases were identified and experiences with severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)-CoV and MERS-CoV.
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Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
Infection control to limit transmission is an essential component of care in patients with suspected or documented COVID-19.
Individuals with suspected infection in the community should be advised to wear a medical mask to contain their respiratory secretions prior to seeking medical attention.

BMJ Best Practice
Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19): Primary prevention
General prevention measures
Last reviewed: February 2020
Last updated: March 2020
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