

Personal protective equipment advice for oncology departments and teams

Chemotherapy
Radiotherapy
Outpatient clinics
Acute oncology

with close patient contact (within 2 metres)

Staff working in the oncology department

not in close patient contact

(more than 2 metres) mask only – no need to wear apron and gloves

Consider eye protection if the **patient is coughing**

and ask the patient to wear a mask if they are able to



Performing an **aerosol generating procedure** (AGP) for example nasendoscopy

Working in a higher risk acute care area for example a high-dependency unit (HDU)/intensive-therapy unit (ITU)/ resus/wards with non-invasive ventilation

Brachytherapy

under spinal anaesthetic – as above but with a fluid resistant surgical mask, not an FFP mask

*In the context of sustained community COVID-19 transmission, sessional use of PPE for **all patients** is recommended.