

PPE Audit Checklist

Personal protective equipment is available and is used appropriately to reduce the risk of cross infection

		Yes	No	N/A	Comments
1	The organisation has comprehensive procedures/policy for the appropriate use of personal protective equipment				
2	Organisational structures are in place to ensure, distribution, compliance and monitoring of all policies that include the use of personal protective equipment policy				
3	Staff are trained in the use of personal protective equipment as part of local departmental induction				
GLOVES					
4	Sterile and non-sterile gloves (powder free) conforming to European Community (EC) standards are fit for purpose (no splitting etc) and are available in all clinical areas				
5	Alternatives to natural rubber latex (NRL) gloves are available for use by practitioners and patients with NRL sensitivity				
6	Powdered or polythene gloves are not in use in clinical areas				
7	There is an appropriate range of sizes available				
8	Gloves are worn as single use items for each clinical procedure or episode of patient care				
9	Hands are decontaminated following the removal of gloves				
10	Gloves are stored appropriately				
APRONS					
11	Disposable plastic aprons when there is a risk that clothing or uniform may be exposed to body fluids or become wet				
12	Disposable plastic aprons are worn as part of food hygiene practices i.e. food preparation and serving meals				
13	Disposable plastic aprons are worn as single-use items for each clinical procedure or episode of patient care				
14	Full body, fluid repellent gowns are worn where there is a risk of extensive splashing of body fluids onto the skin of health care practitioners				
15	Aprons are stored appropriately				
PROTECTIVE BIBS/COVERS					
16	Bibs and covers used to protect the patients during treatment are disposable OR are impermeable and decontaminated between each patient				

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FACE and EYE PROTECTION					
17	Clean facemasks and eye protection are worn where there is a risk of any body fluids splashing into the face and eyes (COSHH Control of Substances Hazardous to Health)				
RESPIRATORY EQUIPMENT					
18	Equipment is visibly clean with no body substances, dust, dirt or debris				
19	Respiratory protective equipment is available for use when clinically indicated e.g. particulate filtration masks for nail drilling				
20	Staff are trained in the fit testing of respiratory equipment				
21	Where applicable equipment used is maintained as per manufacturers instructions				
	TOTALS				
OVERALL SCORING					
POTENTIAL TOTAL					
PERCENTAGE %					