

**UVM Medical Center COVID-19:  
 Mask Guidelines for patients/visitors  
 &  
 ALL STAFF in non-patient facing areas\***

<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>PPE Standard</b>
<b>Staff, vendors, and/or contractors</b>	<b>At all times unless alone in personal office</b>	Procedure Mask
Patients/Visitors without symptoms of COVID-19	While in UVM Medical Center facilities.  Except when in private room and not in close contact with others (within 6ft)	Personal Mask** (if not available use procedure mask)
Patients with symptoms of COVID-19	While in UVM Medical Center facilities.  Except when alone in private room	Procedure Mask
Outpatient Surgical Patients with or without symptoms of COVID-19	When in UVM Medical Center Facility	Procedure Mask <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If patient arrives to pre-op check-in with a cloth mask in place they will be provided a procedure mask</li> <li>• Store personal mask in patient belongings</li> </ul>

\* **Non-patient facing areas include nursing stations, conference rooms, shared office space and/or business occupancy**

\*\* **Cloth masks have two or more layers of washable, breathable fabric, completely cover nose and mouth, and fit snugly against the sides of the face.**

- **Masks with exhalation ports are not considered sufficient facial covering, for staff or patients. The exhalation ports are not routinely filtered and therefore do not provide source containment.**
- **Gaiters, bandanas and face shields are not considered appropriate face coverings.**
- **Patients in semi-private rooms are expected to wear facial covering when in close contact with staff, in close contact with patients, when the curtain must be opened causing them to be in close contact with their roommate, or when an Aerosol Generating Procedure is taking place with their roommate.**